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**FATHERS** these days frequently find themselves telling their sons goodbye as they leave for the Army. But seldom does one find a son wishing his father "the best of luck" in the service. Shown here at Fort Bragg's Reception Center are Joseph Manly Watts, 41, left, and his son, Joseph Howard Watts, 21, of Whiteville, N. C., shaking hands as the son prepared to return to their tobacco farm after being rejected because of an injury resulting from a mule kick. The father, drafted at the same time as his son, was accepted. "I'll try to keep the farm going 'till you get back," the only son said in parting.

—Photo by Sgt. Peter Lashe

## Promote 105 Officers To General Rank

The White House announced this week that the Senate had received from the President the nominations of 105 Army officers for temporary promotion. Twenty-four brigadier generals were nominated for promotion to the temporary grade of major general and 81 colonels to the temporary grade of brigadier general.

The list of nominations follows:

### TO BE MAJOR-GENERALS (TEMPORARY), ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

**Brigadier-Generals:** Harry J. Matony, Paul L. Ranson, John B. Anderson, Gilbert R. Cook, Raymond O. Barton, Paul E. Peabody, Manton S. Eddy.

Matthew B. Ridgway, Edward H. Brooks, Carlos Brewer, Cortlandt Parker, Charles P. Gross, Richard J. Marshall, Homer M. Groninger, Ernest N. Harmon, Roger B. Colton, Muir S. Fairchild, Walter M. Robertson, Wilhelm D. Styer, Frederick A. Irving, Harold L. George, Withers A. Burreas, William C. Lee and John L. Homer.

### TO BE BRIGADIER-GENERALS (TEMPORARY), ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES:

**Colonels:** Nat S. Perrine, Inf.; Harlan N. Hartness, Inf.; Louis J. Fortier, FA.; George L. Eberle, Inf.; Boniface Campbell, FA.; Charles M. Busbee, FA.; Herman F. Kramer, Inf.; William C. Dunkel, FA.; Bryan L. Milburn, CAC; Willard W. Irvine, CAC.

Alexander R. Bolling, Inf.; George P. Hays, FA.; Morris C. Handwork, CAC; Horace L. Whittaker, QMC; Stephen H. Sherrill, SC; Harris M. Melasky, Inf.; Guy O. Kurtz, FA.; Don F. Pratt, Inf.; William W. Eagles, Inf.; Joseph L. Ready, Inf.

John R. Deane, Inf.; Williston B. Palmer, FA.; John J. Bohn, Cav.; Merrill Ross, FA.; Reginald W. Buzzell, Inf.; Charles L. Mullins, Jr., Inf.; Ward L. Peckham, CE; Robert H. Nlopp, AGD; Ralph B. Lovett, AGD; Wald A. Stroh, Inf.

Theron Dew, Weaver, CE; George Shea, FA.; David S. Rumbough, A.; Ray W. Barker, FA.; Allison J. Barnett, Inf.; Ralph C. Tobin, Inf.; Creswell Garlington, CE; Raymond E. S. Williamson, Cav.; Haywood S. Hansell, Jr., AC; William F. Tompkins, CE.

William Hesteth, CAC; Jerry V. Matejka, SC; Ray E. Porter, Inf.; Alber C. Stanford, FA.; Claudius M. Easter, Inf.; Joseph W. Byron, AUS; Benjamin F. Giles, AC; Frank W.

Weed, MC; Edgar L. Clewell, SC; Archie A. Farmer, SC.

Fred W. Llewellyn, JAGD; Eugene L. Eubank, AC; Howard A. Craig, AC; Clements McMullen, AC; Robert G. Breene, AC; Charles C. Chauncey, AC; Grandison Gardner, AC; Lester T. Miller, AC; Aubrey C. Strickland, AC; Edmund W. Hill, AC.

Joseph L. Phillips, Cav.; Daniel Noce, CE; Frank A. Keating, Inf.; Lowell W. Rooks, Inf.; Albert K. B. Lyman, CE; James Kirk, OD; James K. Crain, OD; John R. Kilpatrick, Cav.; John E. Wood, CE; Herbert D. Gibson, Inf.

Edmund B. Sebree, Inf.; Kenneth F. Cramer, Inf.; Joseph N. Dalton, AGD; Anthony C. McAuliffe, FA.; Elbridge G. Chapman, Jr., Inf.; George P. Howell, Inf.; Henry C. Evans, FA.; Alexander G. Paxton, FA.; Hugh J. Gaffey, FA.; Edwin Whiting Jones, CE; Hanford MacNider, Inf.

## WD Reorganizes Public Relations

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Reorganization of the War Department's various public relations organizations as a step to eliminate issuance of conflicting statements was announced by Secretary of War Stimson Thursday.

The reorganization, he said, will bring into the War Department's Bureau of Public Relations more than 100 officers who have been doing public relations work outside the bureau.

"Branches such as the Air Force and Services of Supply will be handled by divisions of the Bureau of Public Relations," Secretary Stimson said, adding that the reorganization would not affect local relations between army posts and the press, except that they would be guided by the War Department policies.

## Troops Learn to Bridge Water in Carolina 'War'

### Dawley Says There's No Substitute for Practice, So That's What His Men Will Get

Exclusive to Army Times

ON MANEUVERS IN THE CAROLINAS, August 15—Before you cross an ocean, you ought to know how to cross a river. That may be an old adage, but it's a true one. So river-crossing operations, usually considered among the most difficult in the whole book of tactics, have been the "order of the day" for the Red and Blue Armies during the past two weeks. The VI Army Corps really does a thorough job of learning to do something the right way.

In the problem of a week ago, numbered "C-6" in the schedules, the attacking Blue forces had strong armored and mechanized components and bombers and pursuit aviation, in addition to infantry and artillery strength. The Reds, on the other hand, were dependent upon artillery and tank destroyer units and observation planes, besides their foot troops. In the problem currently completed, labelled "C-7," more tank destroyer strength was added to the defensive forces, increasing the difficulty of the attacking maneuver.

The latest problem found Maj. Gen. Fred L. Walker reversing his earlier role and assuming direction of the offensive, while Maj. Gen. Leonard T. Gerow was in charge of the Red operations. The mission assigned to the former was to cross and gain control of the Pee Dee river, and, in the familiar definitive phrase, to "find, fix, and finish" the enemy.

### Change Sides

The exercise saw many of the soldiers changing their colors, though the relative strength of the sides remained about the same, with the exception of the tank destroyers already noted. Men who, the week before, had scouted the Pee Dee banks in an effort to locate the enemy crossing attempts now found themselves on new reconnaissance missions aimed at discovering where the defensive dispositions were weakest. The locations of the two armies had been changed, so that the Blue offensive this time came from the east rather than the west.

Similar in pattern, however, to the previous one, the exercise offered an opportunity to apply lessons learned before. Maj. Gen. E. J. Dawley, maneuvers director, precipitated a straight-talk interview into the interval between the two problems, and made it perfectly plain that the fundamentals involved were of all-consuming importance.

"These" maneuvers prove an old truth once more: There's no substitute for practice. Stenography, sports, every other profession and occupation, all stress constant repetition of the main principles. The military trade demands it, too. Victory is not reasonably priced any other way.

"There will always be the need for more training," the general continued. "Even though a football team wins an overwhelming victory on Saturday, and earns a day or two of rest, it's back there working its head off the following Tuesday. Next week's buy is good."

"For the logical prosecution of war, these exercises must be taken back with the troops and repeated—especially those that have flubbed. Our men must be letter-perfect in learning their assignments as a team. Compare for yourself a football team that's well drilled with the first eleven men you see coming down the street."

### Intimate Matter

The General was asked about air support. "We know that air-ground cooperation should be intimate as pepper and salt," was the way he put it. "Back to football again—we turn to the air when that will produce the desired results, and to the ground when that's the right answer—or we use both when that will get us across the goal-line. Success (See MANEUVERS, Page 19)

## Second Anniversary Birthday Greetings

Headquarters Second Army, Memphis, Tenn.

The Army Times has done a good job, but like a good soldier it can do better yet. Every way in which the Army Times can contribute to the development of the American combat soldier as the rugged, hardy, toughened, skillful, aggressive, professional warrior which he must be, it will contribute to truth and will help him keep to the hard pace we need to get in this war for keeps. Congratulations and best wishes.

BEN LEAR,

Lieutenant General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters Third Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

Since its first appearance on August 17, 1940, Army Times has done a remarkable job of depicting Army life from the standpoint of the soldier.

Your publication deserves the fine reputation it has won for clean reporting, variety of news coverage, and excellence in make-up. Best wishes for continued success as Army Times begins its third year of publication.

WALTER KRUEGER,

Lieutenant General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters 78th Division, Camp Butner, North Carolina.

On this day, August 15, 1942, the day when the 78th Infantry Division comes into being, I want to help celebrate the second anniversary of your publication, Army Times.

I know that the men of the "Lightning Division" will read your pages with the same sincere interest with which I have read them during the past two years.

Your stories are timely and important; they are written with the military terms we understand and they tell about the incidents and individuals with whom we work. It is our story. Your lively and impartial coverage of the Army's activities during the past two years, I know, will be the criterion for the service you will render to our soldiers in the time to come.

E. P. PARKER, JR.,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters Camp Lee, Office of the Commanding General, Camp Lee, Virginia

It is noted that Army Times completes its second year of publication as a national service newspaper addressed alike to officers and enlisted men.

Your publication has been read with interest here at Camp (See BIRTHDAY, Page 2)

## Dependents May Get Paid Soon

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Immediate payments to dependents of enlisted men in the armed services under a new allowance and allotment act, are provided in a bill which passed the House Thursday.

Sponsored by Representative Rankin of Mississippi, the bill is designed to eliminate the delay in first payments until November 1, as provided in the allowance and allotment act, with payments retroactive to July 1.

Rankin pointed out that his bill is permissive and not mandatory, but said the Navy Department is prepared to make immediate payments and he believed the War Department could do likewise.

## Add Two AF Units

CAMP POLK, La.—Two new units will be activated here today and later this week, making it one of the largest Armored Force posts in the country. The 11th Armored Division was to be activated today; the 3rd Armored Corps on Aug. 20.

Already stationed at Camp Polk is the 7th Armored Division and the 2nd Armored Corps.

In command of the new division will be Brig. Gen. Edward H. Brooks, formerly Armored Force artillery officer. Chief of staff will be Col. Charles D. Palmer. G-1 will be headed by Col. Hans J. Stockden; G-2, by Lieut. Col. L. E. Perry; G-3, by Maj. Ralph A. Chalmers, and G-4, by Maj. Charles D'Orsa.

Copies of the Army Times are made available to all Army hospitals through the American Red Cross.





#### OFFICERS CAN TAKE IT, TOO—

If you think an officer's life is a snap take a look at these high ranking officers in the 30th Infantry Division who are completing a 15-mile hike at Fort Jackson, N. C. The jaunt was one of a series of exercises under the new order of the day for physical conditioning of all personnel of the U. S. Army. Leading this col-

umn back to camp is Maj. Gen. William H. Simpson, commander of the division; Col. James E. Moore, chief of staff, is at far right. Staff officers of the Old Hickory division devote one hour each afternoon to short hikes and calisthenics and every Saturday morning take a long hike. Other officers in the group above include: Capt. Winston A. Lawton,

Asst. G-1; Lieut. Col. Richard D. Gleaves, G-2; Maj. Charles R. Blomme, Asst. G-2; Lieut. Col. Richard Stephens, G-3; Maj. Ernest R. Morgan, Asst. G-3; Maj. James Perkins, Adjutant General; Capt. McCoy Coppedge, Asst. Adj. Gen.; Lieut. Elmer F. Edwards, Asst. Adj. Gen.; Capt. Lucien B. Yarbrough, Asst. Adj. Gen.; Lieut. Col. Ragnar Johnson, chemical warfare officer; Lieut. Col. Frank D.

Pinckney; ordnance officer; Lieut. Col. Lawrence Case, judge advocate general; Lieut. George B. Flowers, assistant finance officer; Lieut. Olin W. Watson, Asst. chemical warfare officer; Maj. Charles B. Aycock, antitank officer; Lieut. William N. Sloan Jr., automotive officer; Capt. William H. R. Jackson, division chaplain; and Maj. Howell J. Hatcher, provost marshal.

## Plan Would Help Soldiers Get Rides

TYNDALL FIELD, Fla.—A plan to set up a nation-wide system of civilian car owners giving rides to soldiers under auspices of the USO has been set into motion from the Army Air Forces Gunnery School here.

If successfully operated, it would do much toward eliminating present congested travel conditions on the rail, bus and air facilities of the country, it was pointed out.

The plan, as suggested by Staff Sgt. Charles V. Kolt, Signal Corps here, won quick approval from Col. Warren A. Maxwell, commanding officer of Tyndall Field, and of Thomas E. Oliver, USO director in Panama City. It first came to light several weeks ago when Sergeant Kelt discussed it with Chaplain C. R. McClelland and the two worked out a definite plan.

Briefly, the plan calls for setting up a travel bureau at each USO service center. Civilians planning cross-country trips would list their destinations and time of departure and the USO then would contact service men planning trips.

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## Birthday Greetings

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Lee, and its reflection of the news, the human interest, and the humor of our armed forces, all intelligently done, has been of genuine helpful interest.

JAMES F. EDMONDS,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters Seventh Service Command, Omaha, Nebraska.

Congratulations on two years of splendid service to the Army. You have still greater opportunities ahead and I am confident that Army Times will do its part in the march to victory.

FREDERICK E. UHL,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters Camp Croft, S. C., Office of the Commanding General.

I congratulate Army Times on the completion of its second year as a service newspaper. The issues of Army Times are read with interest at Camp Croft and enjoy a wide circulation.

CHARLES F. THOMPSON,

Major General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters Quartermaster Replacement Center, Camp Lee, Virginia.

As Army Times prepares to begin its third year of publication, I wish to extend anniversary congratulations on behalf of the officers and men of the Quartermaster Replacement Training Center.

Army Times deserves praise as an outstanding publication for soldiers. For the last two years, its articles have described the progress of America's Army and of the war effort since December 7, 1941. Then, too, its feature items have portrayed many gallant men of all types who are carrying on the traditions of democracy and of the Army.

I wish you success in carrying on your significant function of assembling and providing news of American soldiers.

GUY I. ROWE,

Brigadier General, Quartermaster Corps, Commanding

Headquarters Ninth Infantry Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

I should like to take this opportunity to offer the sincere congratulations of myself and the 9th Division upon the occasion of the second anniversary of Army Times.

I personally, have always thoroughly enjoyed Army Times and its interesting, entertaining, and informative news about our Army. I feel sure that the men of my command share this opinion and am also confident that the "folks back home" are always anxious to read reports about their boys in uniform and the organizations of which they are a part.

At this time, too, I should like to offer my thanks for the splendid cooperation which Army Times has given the 9th Division during the two years of its publication.

M. S. EDDY,

Brigadier General, U. S. Army, Commanding

Headquarters Services of Supply, Office of the Chief of Transportation, Washington, D. C.

It gives me pleasure to compliment Army Times on the occasion of its second birthday for a splendid performance record. As you enter upon your third year of publication I offer my best wishes for continued success.

C. P. GROSS,

Brigadier General, Chief of Transportation

Headquarters Army Air Forces Basic Flying School, Cochran Field, Macon, Georgia.

I believe Army Times fills a space long vacant in the Army, (See BIRTHDAY, Page 19)

## Specialist Uniforms

They'll Wear Silver Eagles, With Wings Turned Down

Army Specialist Corps regulations governing the wearing and design of the uniform are expected to be issued shortly, the War Department has announced.

Insignia and markings for Specialist Corps have been developed by the Quartermaster Corps and approved by the Secretary of War. The official emblem will be a silver eagle displayed with wings inverted, the eagle standing on a bundle of arrows.

Corps, officers, staff, and specialists wherever stationed will wear a uniform similar in style, material and color to that of the Army. Insignia of grade or rank of ASC officers will be the same as for officers of the Army.

Three distinctions will mark the uniforms, however. The expedient designed official Corps emblem will be worn as the cap insignia. The initials ASC will be worn on the collar in lieu of the branch insignia of the Army and buttons of the silver gray plastic material bearing the Corps emblem will be worn on the blouse. Officers will also wear a short overcoat, raincoat and other clothing items prescribed for Army officers' wear.

Specialists of the ASC will wear uniforms similar to those worn by noncommissioned personnel of the Army. As a mark of distinction, the letters ASC will be worn on a silver gray patch just below the insignia of grade on the right sleeve. The official eagle design will be used on the noncommissioned uniform cap. While officers of the Corps may wear either the service cap or the garrison cap, the latter is the only type of headgear specialists may wear for dress purposes.

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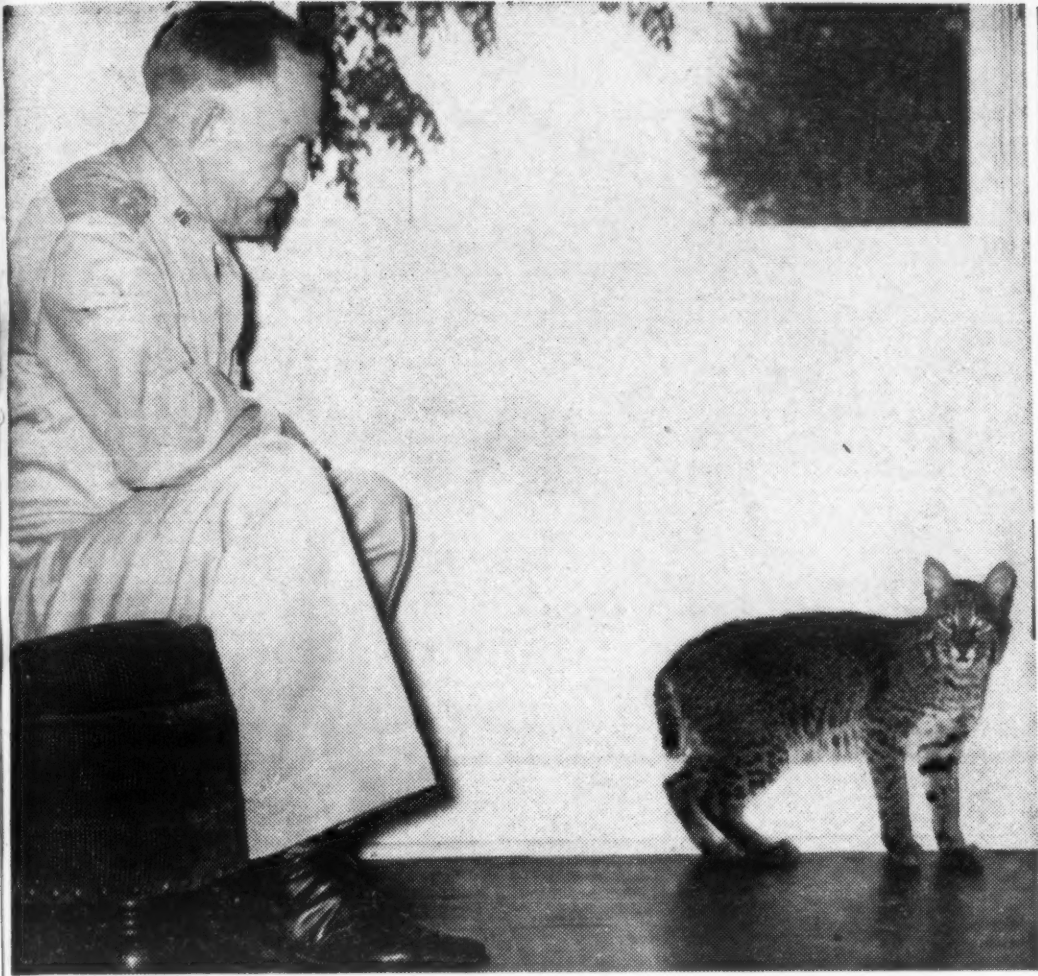
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# If This Ain't a Publicity Stunt, It'll Do



General Franke and Friend

CAMP RUCKER, Ala.—This is one of those incredible features that many readers will attribute to an overenthusiastic public relations office. But it's true, s'help us!

Maj. Gen. Gustav H. Franke is commanding general of the Wildcat (81st) Division. All over the division area there are pictures of wildcats, the distinctive shoulder insignia of the division is a wildcat within a circle . . . and General Franke is very proud of his division.

The general has a cottage in the division area and the other evening he had a visitor—it was a wildcat! Now, there are hundreds of buildings in the area, yet some instinct guided this particular wildcat to the home of the chief wildcat of the Wildcat Division.

General Franke noticed the wildcat outside his cottage. The visitor did not appear particularly ferocious—rather it had a lean and hungry look. Whereupon the general opened the door and enticed (with somewhat ginger enticing) the cat into the cottage. Once in, the visitor was fed royally on eggs and milk.

Lt. Col. Johnson, G-3 of the division, was visiting the general and he put a rope around the cat's neck. (Later when the cat got loose the general threatened to send his G-3 to a Boy Scout school to learn how to tie knots.)

Then they tried to take this very active emblem over to one of the regiments, but at this point the wildcat protested, slipped the rope and scurried off into some bushes.

Next evening General Franke put some meat on his back porch and in the morning it was gone. He again

## Old Soldiers But New Citizens

FORT BENNING, Ga.—The loyalty of men from other nations of the world to America was brought sharply into focus this week at Fort Benning when five soldiers of the 10th Armored Division—soldiers from as many different European countries—received their naturalization papers as full-fledged American citizens.

The quintet of foreign-born soldiers—one a Dane, one an Englishman, the third a German, another an Italian and the fifth a Yugoslavian—received their citizenship papers and were congratulated by Col. Bertrand Morrow, commanding officer of the 11th Armored Regiment, during brief ceremonies following their graduation from the Army naturalization classes.

The "old soldiers, but new citizens" are Privates First Class H. Hvengard, Denmark; Kurt Shieren, Germany; Peter Robins, England; M. Perko, Yugoslavia, and J. Sergi, Italy.

put some food for his feline friend, and this food, too, found its proper channel. Then the following morning, as the general was preparing to enter his car, the wildcat bounded out of the bushes and rushed at the division commander.

General Franke, expecting to be attacked, hastily cast about for a stick, but the large cat suddenly slowed up, purred gently and arched its back against the general's leg. It wanted affection as well as food.

The wildcat is now a frequent caller at General Franke's house and is accepted as one of the official family. The general hoped he would be able to tame the cat sufficiently so that it would ride in the front seat of his car.

No comment was forthcoming from the general's chauffeur.

## 'Tex' McMurry Gets the Touch in Army

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Induction into the Army has finally brought Pvt. Leonard "Tex" McMurry, Co. "D", 56th Bn., MRTC, to a position where he can study his subjects closely, and get first hand information upon details to complete his statues. A sculptor for the past five years, McMurry's favorite subject and chief interest have been in sculpturing military figures ever since the outbreak of hostilities.

Judging from the scholarships he has won, his talents have not been turned in the wrong direction. At the St. Louis School of Fine Arts, a part of Washington University, McMurry won the Waymon Crowe scholarship his second and third years at the school, and in his final year he won the John T. Millikin Foreign Traveling Scholarship. The Crowe scholarship is a tuition scholarship, while the Millikin scholarship is a plan of travel which, prior to the war, included a trip to the art centers of Europe. Since he obviously was not able to take advantage of a European trip, he did tour art centers and museums throughout this country.

McMurry was also considered in the competition for the Prix de Rome, the main scholarship for all artists in the country. He was one of 15 contestants throughout the country to place in the final selections. This

prize was originally for a course of study in Rome for three years, all expenses paid. His entry was the statue of a Negro cotton-picker.

McMurry, whose home is up in the Panhandle country of Texas—Memphis to be exact—originally started his college career at Texas A. & M. Feeling that he was not getting what he wanted, he left, and entered the St. Louis school, winning scholarships from the time of his entrance.

His present subject is the figure of two soldiers, one is half lying, half sitting upon the ground, while another soldier bends over him to administer medical aid. He also hopes to make a bust of his company commander, Capt. Benjamin M. Rabin, DC, if he can get the captain to pose. He says the biggest problem is to get models to pose for him. His bunkmates are usually too tired at night and he hates to impose upon the few minutes that they do have to themselves. He, of course, finds time to carry on his work only after 5 p.m.

McMurry describes himself as a back-to-nature artist, and he doesn't strive for detail in his work. He doesn't see sculpturing finished. He prefers the rough figure, and says that from this he gets his ideas upon which to let his imagination work. He feels that in this type of sculpturing lies the real test of a statue's strength, its effect upon the observer.

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### We Grow Up

We are two years old, going on three. And we don't feel a day over ninety.

When Army Times was only a gleam in a publisher's eye, back in August, 1940, life was simple, life was sweet.

Our little Army was down in Carolina at the "games." They had stovepipe guns and trucks labeled "tanks." The Red force pursued the Blue force, then the Blues turned around and pursued the Red force for a while. Up in New England the 1st Division repulsed an "invasion army." Inexperience of the Selectees and Guardsmen (remember them?) on the invader's side was given as the principal cause of his defeat.

But, shucks, everybody was inexperienced then and the "war" was kind of exciting. Only a few people were really concerned about those stovepipes. It was a field-day for the comic cartoonists.

Now somebody, meaning business, has plowed poisoned arrows in the New England earth, pointing at our vitals. Somewhere during the past year this nation lost 50,000 of its finest men. In far parts of the earth we ourselves have killed people, because it was so necessary to kill them.

Things move fast. It was only yesterday that we on Army Times dimpled innocently out at the world. Today we have no smile. All is confusion and suspicion, and the gray hairs on our young head number more each hour.

There is one bright spot. We have faith in you lads that will never know a dark day. Everybody at home feels that way about you, but we guess you know that.

Salud, kids.

### It's Getting Closer

Gen. George Marshall, U. S. Chief of Staff, appears to hold his lead as candidate for the post of supreme commander in the European theater.

Such a choice—and, in fact, the appointment of any high-ranking American—would mean action in some form in a relatively short time. Appointment of a Briton would make no appreciable difference in the situation as it now stands. It's simply a matter of temperament and method.

It shouldn't be taken for granted, however, that selection of a chief would be followed almost immediately by an onslaught upon Germany. It is generally agreed in military circles that any second-front operation along the coast of occupied Europe will be a drive of such major strength and size as to preclude another Dunkirk.

Allied commanders are wholly mindful of the dangers of a weak or ineffective attack which would serve only to lower the morale of Allied troops, as well as Allied prestige in the occupied countries.

Preparing for such a campaign will take time and may necessitate drastic reforms in the British armed forces in order to fit them to the master plan.

It is even possible that a new "Ministry of Defense" will have to be set up in London. In charge of it would be a Minister, responsible to a small War Cabinet without departmental portfolios. Under it, as Chief of General Staff, would be the outstanding officer in the Allied Armies today.

Then comes the General Staff, not representing various services, but controlling them. A scientific and inventions board would operate under the same supervision. Intelligence and political warfare would be represented on this staff.

### Newspaper Self-Censorship on Trial

Evidence to show that the McCormick-Patterson newspapers have published information useful to the enemy—perhaps in violation of the 1917 Espionage Act—was laid before a Federal Grand Jury in Chicago Thursday. The papers concerned are the Chicago Tribune, the New York Daily News and the Washington Times-Herald.

The charge against the Tribune is that it disclosed that the U. S. Navy had detailed advance information on the disposition of the Jap fleet which later attacked Midway and the Aleutians. The story was released at the same time in the News and the Times-Herald.

(Details concerning the secrets made public still cannot be published without detriment to our fighting forces.)

This was the second flagrant violation of self-censorship on the Tribune's part. Three days before Pearl Harbor, that paper and its associates printed an article disclosing the Army's secret war plans. By the publication of this information on December 4, Japan was told that in the event of war we were not preparing to strike her down, but intended to use our major energies in the Atlantic. Germany was told that our offensive would begin by action against Norway. She was given time to prepare counter-measures. That time is probably not being wasted now.

On December 5, Secretary of War Stimson made this comment: "What do you think of the patriotism of a man or a newspaper that would take these confidential studies and make them public to the enemies of this country?"

When these papers were, in Stimson's polite language, "taken" and published, Secretary of State Hull had already warned the Army and Navy that the Japanese crisis had gone beyond the bounds of diplomacy. Ten days before that, he had warned all hands in the Pacific to guard against a surprise attack that would "stampede the hell out of our scattered forces."

If the Patterson-McCormick clan did not know that war was imminent, they were unusually badly informed—even for them.

### Another Bottleneck to Be Broken



—Carmack in Christian Science Monitor

## Experts Wonder: Is Solomon Push Offensive or Diversion?

There is considerable speculation in Washington as to whether our grand-scale attack on the Japanese in the Solomon Islands, the round-the-clock bombing of Japanese bases on other invasion islands and the simultaneous blasting of invader bases in the Aleutians are intended as diversions to discourage an invasion of Siberia.

Certainly, when MacArthur launched his land-based bombers and fighters and Admiral Nimitz timed naval offensives at both ends of the Pacific they didn't give the orders on a moment's notice. Such intensive operations, 5,000 miles apart, require at least weeks of planning and preparation.

There is no doubt that a U.S. Navy threat against Kiska and the Solomons will serve as an effective diversion which may hold up a Japanese stab-in-the-back at Russia in the East, but there is some doubt that this is the primary purpose of the

offensive.

It is a matter of common knowledge that MacArthur has asked for additional equipment, mostly air, and for the go-ahead on a full-scale return invasion of Japanese-held islands off the northern Australian coast. In recent weeks the fighter and bomber planes earmarked for Australian service when they rolled off the assembly lines may have been sidetracked to Russia, where the need is desperate, and for Egypt, where Rommel may renew his push toward

Alexandria and Cairo at any moment. There is some reason to believe that MacArthur convinced his superiors that he should be allowed to go ahead and start his offensive with what he had on hand. If so, this is it.

#### Other Opinions

On the other hand, there are those military analysts who believe that the long, hard road back through the conquered islands off continental Australia, the Indies, Singapore, the Philippines and Malaya is NOT the way to beat Japan. They insist that it will take years and many times the number of men and volume of equipment massed in the Southwest Pacific to roll the invaders back.

They argue that it isn't sound military strategy when there is a short-cut to the same objective. That short-cut, they say, is heavy bombing of Japan's island empire and eventual invasion on their home grounds. These "bomb-Japan" protagonists say that in the light of their beliefs the naval attacks now going on can be regarded as nothing more than diversionary actions designed to keep the Japanese busy and delay their attack on Russia.

Both schools of thought agreed that the Nazi successes in the Caucasus mean a Japanese stroke in Siberia may be expected at any moment.

In view of the great strength of Japan's army on the Siberian border and the fact that the Japanese navy would take no part, other than limited convoy duty over short distances, in an attack on Russia's eastern flank, the complete success of the present naval actions as a diversion is questionable. After all, it is the Japanese navy that is fighting around the Solomons, together with isolated land ground and air forces. They won't need the navy to help pierce the Soviet defenses in Siberia.

Ousting of the Japanese from the tip of the Aleutians, however, would have a very definite bearing on the opening of a front against Russia at the Siberian border. One of the chief advantages to the Japanese of a foothold on the islands is that it removes a threat from their flank when they invade the USSR.

#### Real Offensive

There is NO doubt of one thing—whether or not present operations are intended as a diversion, MacArthur undoubtedly has high hopes that they can be expanded into a real roll-them-back offensive. If the attacks meet with reasonable success, MacArthur can probably evolve some means of continuing the drive. This indeed may be the strategy.

## Morale

### What Do You Think It Is?

Gallons of printers' ink have been spilled over miles of type discussing the morale of the American soldier. It has been admired, praised, fretted over, and cheered, but never have we (or anyone else) seen it really defined. Below is an attempt by one soldier to tell what the word means to him. Beside it is a blank space. Why not jot down your definition of morale and send it in to us? We'll try to print all of them, and maybe among us we can get at an approximate truth. (Address: Army Times, Daily News Building, Washington, D. C.)

Morale is a soldier strutting down the avenue with his chest out, his chin up and that "I can lick the world" glint in his eye.

It is his absolute confidence in the ability of the American Forces to clean up the whole mess as soon as he can get there.

It is his readiness to fight any marine or sailor who claims their outfits are better than his, and his even greater readiness to fight anyone who claims that any other marines or sailors are better than ours.

It is his grumbling about mopping the floor, shining his shoes and straightening things up, yet his indignation at even the suggestion that his tent is not the neatest one in the squadron.

It is the proud feeling of smartness he experiences as he gives a military salute to an officer on the streets in town.

It is his uncontrollable rage as he sees newsreel shots or reads newspaper reports of American defeats or tragedies due to "superior numbers of enemy forces."

Finally, it is his unshakeable opinion that he is the best soldier in the finest squadron in the highest branch of the service in the greatest country in the world.—Richard Dann, Brookley Field, Ala., in Air Force News Letter.



## Sarge Learns School Pays

FORT ADAMS, R. I.—Sgt. Ernest L. Babcock is preparing for a rainy day.

When the war is over and Uncle Sam's servicemen are turned into society again, Sergeant Babcock is going to be one (if not more) steps ahead of the field when it comes time to presenting qualifications for business positions.

Sergeant Babcock, a clerk in the plans and training office of the harbor defense of Narragansett Bay Headquarters, read an ad in an Army newspaper pertaining to Army Institute correspondence school courses in various lines. It looked like an excellent opportunity to brush up on his shorthand, so he applied for the lessons.

So Sergeant Babcock invested two dollars—and it has paid dividends!

He has forwarded nine lessons to the Army Institute—and his average mark for that period is 96 per cent.

There are five more lessons to be handed in before Sergeant Babcock completes his course. He is expected to come through with flying colors—or, at least, the Army Institute thinks he will because it has asked him to forward a picture. It wants to display its honor students.

# Torpedoed Soldiers Tell How It Feels

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Two medical administrative officer candidates here, 1st Sgt. George Hickman, and Sgt. Levere Stem, can boast of one of the most eventful trips ever made by new arrivals at Camp Barkeley's MRTC.

You won't hear them boasting, however. On the contrary, their reticence is astonishing in view of what happened to them on the trip to Barkeley from an Army post in Iceland.

The men were on a ship which was part of a convoy attacked by Axis submarines when only 10 hours from an eastern port. Within sight of the shore, at 10:20 p.m., their ship was struck almost simultaneously by two torpedoes, sinking in three minutes' time.

With such a brief time between the first explosion and the sinking, it was impossible to get lifeboats into the water and survivors had to depend upon what life rafts could be freed and launched from their deck positions.

### On Deck

Following are the individual accounts of the two men:

Candidate Hickman: "I was standing on deck looking toward shore when the first torpedo struck on the port side. I immediately started to move forward, and as I reached mid-ship on the starboard side, the second torpedo struck almost below me. The impact threw me about 10 feet.

"Reaching the boat deck, I saw that it would be impossible to launch lifeboats because the ship was going

down too fast, so, since I had on my life preserver, I slipped over the side into the water.

"When the ship went down, suction from the smokestack pulled me under. I went down so far, I thought I never would come up. Finally, the suction stopped, and when I came back to the surface, I struck a life raft. Crawling onto it, I stayed there until 5:30 a.m., when escort ships picked me up and carried me into harbor."

### Hospitalized

Upon reaching land, Hickman was hospitalized four days for exposure.

Asked if he experienced fear during the episode, he replied, "That's a hard question to answer. Everything happened so quickly there was little time to think, but for the next few days, all I could see was that scene as the first explosion came."

At the time the first torpedo struck, Candidate Stem was on watch at a machine gun station on the top afterdeck, on the starboard side, and a

friend was standing ready to man the machine gun directly opposite on the port side.

"We had been alerted," Stem said, "and when that first torpedo hit, I had a tight hold on the gun, but the resulting jar knocked me off my feet. When we were first hit, the thing I immediately noticed was the heavy list to port."

### Mast Goes

"The next thing that happened was the snapping of the aftermast. That occurred just before the second explosion, which knocked me from the starboard side all the way across the ship to the port rail. I made my way back to the starboard side, and with six other men, managed to get a life raft into the water."

"Even then we weren't safe, the raft was still secured to the ship by a heavy line, fortunately one of the men had a knife with him and cut the line. Otherwise the raft would have gone under with the ship."

"The port gunner and I went over-

board five times to help men to the raft, and when we were finally picked up, there were 22 of us aboard the raft."

Asked about his reaction, he said, "At the time I wasn't particularly frightened, but we were worried for fear the raft would be shelled."

### Sleep on Deck

After being picked up by escort ships, he said that neither he nor the other gunner felt much like trying to sleep below decks. They took their blankets and went up on deck where they could be free to move if there was any more action.

Both men remarked that the worst part of the whole incident was to hear men who were still swimming, shouting for help and to know there was nothing they could do. There were fairly high seas and it was impossible to go far from the raft to give help.

Both men were impressed with the fact that there was very little excitement or panic during the last moments before the ship sunk. They said the men moved calmly and with precision toward the boat stations. They both felt that military discipline, instinctively followed by the men, was responsible for the saving of many lives.

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IF THEY SPOT US, WELL—HERE GOES, BOB! UP PERISCOPE!

ATTA BOY, SKIPPER! HE'S GONNA SURFACE AND TRY TO SLIP OUT ACROSS THOSE REEFS

THAT DESTROYER—SHE'S SPOTTED US. SOUND THE TORPEDO ROOM, BOB—LET'S LET 'EM HAVE IT!

OKAY, CHUCK! STAND BY TO RELEASE TORPEDOS

THIS IS MORE LIKE IT—RATHER GO DOWN FIGHTIN' THAN SITTING!

T.N.T. FOR TOJO. DO YOUR STUFF, BABY!

A DIRECT HIT, BOB, THAT STOPPED 'EM! NOW WE CAN GET OUTA HERE!

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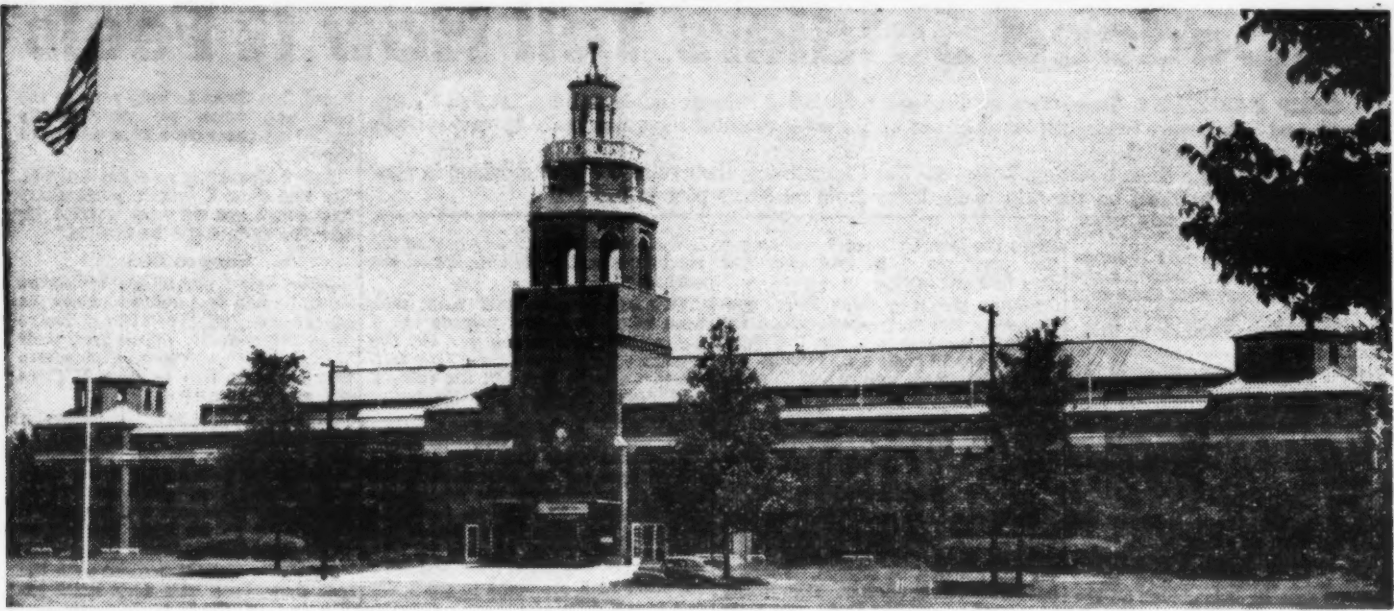
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SECOND Army, by gosh, is mi-i-ighty proud of its new office building at the fair grounds in Memphis, Tenn. Through these doors passes Lt. Gen. Ben Lear and his Headquarters staff. Other buildings in the vicinity are barracks for soldiers of HQ Company and other troops and a building for the Special Staffs.

## Army Cook Makes Men Like Beans

FORT KNOX, Ky.—Mess sergeants get criticism instead of medals, but somewhere in the Army Hall of Fame there is a niche reserved for Staff Sgt. Neal F. Caviness, the man who made the Armored Force like beans!

All he did was take the Army's staple, serve it in large, green beanpots which look as if they might have come from a Boston restaurant, and add seasoning and a few tricks of his own.

Result: The boys at Headquarters Company actually eat twice as many baked beans as they ever did!

Caviness comes by his knack for cooking by inheritance. His father was a chef back in Carlsbad, N.M., and the big soldier, who is 6-feet 3½, and weighs 237 pounds is the picture of a man who has more than a passing interest in food. Don't get the wrong impression... he's all muscle.

### Listens to Comments

Feeding the 450 men in Headquarters Company is no picnic. Although they work in offices (most of them), these men are hungry and some of them, finicky. In an effort to please as many men as possible, Sergeant Caviness walks around the mess hall, listening for comments and asking for others. He doesn't guarantee anything to be "just like mom's," but he tries.

It takes 14 men, working all day long, to cook, wash dishes and feed some 450 men who do the work at the Headquarters of the Armored Force. A single meal will include 85 pies. When corn on the cob is served, 11 bushels are required. These men consume 1200 loaves of bread every week, four to five tons of potatoes monthly.

During spare time Caviness experiments with new recipes, and his mess is so well known that recently men from another regiment on the post asked him to cook a ham for their commanding officer, who was transferred to another post. They knew he would do a tasty job.

### Top in Class

As the first man to be graduated from the Cooks & Bakers School branch at Fort Knox, Sergeant Caviness was top man in his class. Besides his practical experience with his father before entering the Army, he worked as a meat cutter, and the popularity of meals with pork chops is a testimonial to his skill.

Like all mess sergeants of fact and fiction, Caviness was lost from his unit on maneuvers... for three days. When he finally caught up with his outfit, officers and men were so hungry they stood in line together with their mess kits, including Maj. Gen. Adna R. Chaffee, the late first chief of armored force.

Throughout all the complaints from boys who won't realize that "nobody can cook just like mom," Sergeant Caviness retains his even temper. It makes the few scattered compliments seem so much more worth while.

## No Exchange Service Fee on Non-Profit Sales

Proceeds from sales by Army exchanges of such items as money orders, postage stamps and War Savings Stamps will be excluded from the computation of gross sales for the purpose of determining the Army exchange service fee, the War Department announced today. The fee, one-half of 1 per cent of the gross sales, is remitted monthly to the fund.

In general, the fee will not be collected on gross sales of items on which there is no profit, or on which the income is a fixed commission not defraying the actual cost of handling the goods.

## Drilling in Fatigue Clothes Ordered to Save Uniforms

In order to save cotton and woolen uniforms, the Army will make the widest possible use of fatigue clothing, the War Department announced. The life of uniforms now in the hands of troops will be prolonged by the wearing of fatigue outfits for drill as well as work, and for other duties when the wearing of the uniform is not essential.

## Know Men, CO Tells His Meds

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Maj. Gen. Edwin P. Parker Jr., commanding general of the 78th "Lightning" Division, told a group of medical officers and a few officers of other branches who have joined the division recently that he will expect them not only to know their own jobs well and be fit for field duty but also be thoroughly familiar with the men and weapons of the units in which they serve.

Speaking in a personal vein to the medical officers, General Parker remarked that he had an especially warm feeling for their work since one of his sons is in the Army medical corps and another son has just been commissioned in the Navy's medical corps.

"I want you to dig in and find out all there is to know about the problems of the men in your organization so you can be of the greatest possible value to the 78th Division as medical officers," General Parker said.

"Every officer in this division is going to be physically as well as mentally fit, and that will be a special concern of yours."

Terminology discipline the "heart and soul of the Army," General Parker reminded his officers that "a well-disciplined organization going into battle must have confidence in its officers and pride in its organization. That is good morale."

He urged the officers to strive to develop friendly competition among the troops, at the same time avoiding all petty animosities.

"Keep your men busy with interesting work and you will have morale," General Parker continued. "Leadership is the confidence your men have in you."

## Devens Digest

FT. DEVENS, Mass., Maj. Thomas K. Lynch Jr., post adjutant at Fort Devens for the last seven months, has left that office for an undisclosed assignment and his departure brought a feeling of real regret for he was one of the most popular officers on the post.

He had been at Devens since December, 1940, at which time he was in command of Post Headquarters Company. Last January he became adjutant and was promoted in May. He graduated from Boston University, ('27), and the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga., and the Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Retirement of Lieut. Col. Dana H. Allen, former commanding officer of the Recruit Reception Center, was announced this week. Colonel Allen, who succeeded Lieut. Col. Albert F. Christie on Sept. 26, 1941, served until last February when illness caused his hospitalization here. He was succeeded in the RRC by Col. Winfield O. Shrum.

### NAME RANGE

Col. William A. Smith, post commander, announced that the small bore range here has been officially named in honor of 1st Lieut. Mal-lalieu W. Rush, Georgia-born officer who was killed in action Nov. 10, 1918, while serving with the 366th Infantry. The range is a short distance from the quarters of the 366th. Lieutenant Rush was a graduate of the first Officers Training Camp at Des Moines, Ia., and received the Distinguished Service Medal posthumously.

### BRUSH-OFF

Baseball fans of the post—and who isn't?—are boasting about the neat manner in which two Fort Devens teams brushed off their opponents in the first round of the play-offs for the First Service Command championship.

Behind the four-hit pitching of Joe Kwasniewski, former Providence College hurler, the Recruit Reception Center whitewashed by 14-to-0 the Air Base team from Grenier Field, Manchester, N. H., in a twilight game here while the boys from Lovell General Hospital nipped Camp Edwards 3-to-2 at the Cape Cod cantonment.

### POPULAR

That charming voice that beguiles Fort Devens soldiers in an after-reveille program was identified this week. The announcer is Ann Michaels who calls herself Devy Edwards (Fort Devens and Camp Edwards—get it?) and her program over Station WLAW is extremely popular. She probably gets more mail from Fort Devens than any other single person. Her picture appeared in the Fort Devens DIGEST this week and promptly found a permanent resting spot in many a foot-locker.

A Boston University Alumni Association of Fort Devens could be formed here very easily. A check-up discloses that there are 24 officers from the famed educational institution on duty here in various important positions.



TWINS? Nope, it's Sgt. William Stout of the 28th Division HQ Company, checking up on the set of his cravat and all that. This is one of the many mirrors placed at prominent spots in Camp Livingston, La. Sign above the glass speaks for itself.

## Colonel's Dog Sports Gold Tooth After Auto Accident

FORT MOULTRIE, S. C.—If a sparkling gold tooth adds to a dog's personality among other dogs, then Major, eight-month-old pointer belonging to Lt. Col. Henry W. Ulmo, is the new glamour boy in Fort Moultrie's canine society.

The flashing bark which Major flings at the world is the recent work of Maj. Neil W. Macaulay, post dental surgeon. He was called into the scene when the spindling-legged puppy was run over by a 10-ton Army truck on the fort's main street three weeks ago.

X-ray pictures showed the dog had suffered a double-jaw fracture and

two broken canine teeth. At the post veterinary hospital Major Macaulay wired the jaw together with the help of Sgt. H. G. Hawkins.

A few days later four men held Major down when one tooth was extracted. Major Macaulay then added a gold crown to the other tooth, making the brown-and-white hunter a match for any meaty bone which happens to cross his path.

Major is going to be sent to a hunting-dog school in the South Carolina woodlands in a few days. Fort Moultrie soldiers are betting he's going to be the Robert Taylor of the bird-dogs and charm the partridges into capture.

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# Story of the Army's Year

## It Saw Us Pass from Peacetime Footing to War

An eventful year, a year in which war broke out, has just been completed by Army Times. Here's what happened, week by week:

Aug. 16—Congress extends by 18 months the peace-time length of service of selectees and raises Army pay \$10 a month.

Aug. 23—In maneuvers, the Army tries out (1) a dive bomb, tank attack, (2) a new Destroyer Force intended to stop blitz attacks, (3) new antitank units.

Aug. 30—Lt. Gen. Ben Lear tells men of the Second Army about to go on maneuvers not to let people "cry on your shoulder" or sympathize because you are in the Army.

Sept. 6—New age standards for commissioned officers set to remove over-age officers. . . 112th Field Artillery, only horse-drawn regiment left in Army, will be motorized.

Sept. 13—U. S. has world's finest planes, says Assistant Secretary of War for Air Robert A. Lovett. . . Senate begins investigation of Army pay scale. . . Fifth Armored Division formed.

Sept. 20—Officers of National Guard units made eligible for service in entire Army. . . Rules relaxed for selectees wishing to enter officers' candidate school.

Sept. 27—American Legion backs pay raise for Army and tax-free cigarettes.

### MP Corps Formed

Oct. 4—Army takes over job of building 240 USO Clubs from Federal Work Agency. . . War Department forms new Military Police corps. . . More Army units landed in Iceland.

Oct. 11—Maneuvers provide a dress rehearsal for defense against air attacks on the north and central Atlantic seaboard.

Oct. 18—Two thousand guard officers shifted to duty with Air Corps. . . War Department announces new Army carbine to be Winchester.

Oct. 25—Army Air Forces to be expanded from 54 to 84 combat groups. . . Creation of separate First Air Force Support Command announced.

Nov. 1—New mountain regiment formed at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Nov. 8—Air Corps opens its doors to National Guardsmen and reservists.

Nov. 15—Army orders 80 silver planes for testing in maneuvers.

Nov. 22—"Blue" army, under Lt. Gen. Hugh Drum, moves south to meet a "Red" army, commanded by Maj. Gen. O. W. Griswold, in maneuvers.

Nov. 29—Army Air Force to build landing strips along principal transcontinental highways. . . 7th Infantry Division, Fort Ord, Calif., to be motorized.

Dec. 6—6th and 9th Infantry Divisions ordered motorized. . . War Department says all divisions will have four tank destroyer battalions.

### War

Dec. 13—Pearl Harbor! . . . First war communiques issued. . . First casualty list issued. . . Delivery of new-type helmets begins.

Dec. 20—Stimson says enlistments to be discouraged. . . President sends holiday greetings to men in service.

Dec. 27—Senator McCarran announces plans to fight for separate and unified Air Force.

Jan. 3—All reserves called back to service. . . War Department authorizes field artillery to train its own flying observation personnel. . . School to teach soldiers tire repair opened in Akron.

Jan. 10—Specialists' ratings abolished and technicians' grades established. . . Maj. Gen. Francis B. Wilby named superintendent of the Military Academy at West Point. . . Post office announces special rates to or from soldiers outside continental United States.

Jan. 17—Seventy-five thousand enlisted men will win commissions at Officer Candidate Schools this year, Secretary Stimson announces. . . Army strength to be raised to 3,600,000, according to Secretary of War Stimson. . . Air Corps age limit reduced to 18 years.

Jan. 24—War Department announces Sixth Armored Division will be organized in February at Fort Knox. . . Proposal to allot part of military pay to dependents raised on Capitol Hill. . . Plans to create Colored Infantry Division and Colored Unit of the Air Forces announced by War Department.

### First Medal of Honor

Jan. 31—Officer Candidate Schools opened to men 18-45 years old provided minimum service period of three months has been passed. . . Air Corps Flying Training Command created. . . First Congressional Medal of Honor goes to Lt. Alexander R. Nininger, killed on Bataan.

Feb. 7—War Department says six out of seven of the men in the new Army will be given chevrons—i.e.,

# ARMY TIMES

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### Congress Votes To Order Out Guard Troops

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 16.—The House today passed a bill to order out of the Army all troops of the National Guard who have been called to active service. The bill was passed by a vote of 317 to 10.

### 300,000 Troops Battle On Five Fronts As Army Carries On Momentous Peacetime War

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.—The Army today announced that it has begun a peacetime war on five fronts. The fronts are: (1) the training of new troops, (2) the reorganization of the Army, (3) the improvement of equipment, (4) the improvement of the Army's organization, and (5) the improvement of the Army's morale.

### 1st Army Ready For Roosevelt Visit Saturday

SCOTTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 13.—The 1st Army today announced that it is ready to receive President Roosevelt on his visit to the Army on Saturday. The President is expected to arrive at the Army's headquarters at 10 a. m. and will spend the day with the troops.

### 60 To 70-Ton Tanks Ordered For Army

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.—The War Department today announced that it has ordered the construction of 60 to 70-ton tanks for the Army. The tanks are to be used for the transport of heavy equipment and for the transport of troops.

### General Marshall Visits 4th Army

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.—General George C. Marshall today visited the 4th Army at Fort Monmouth, N. J. The General was accompanied by his staff and by a number of other high-ranking Army officers.

### Get How Medal For Saving Fellow Officers

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.—The War Department today announced that it has awarded the Distinguished Service Medal to a number of officers who have saved the lives of their fellow officers during the war.

### Train America's Airways Is Helping U. S. Train Youth For Long-range Flying

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.—The War Department today announced that it has begun a program to train America's airways to help the U. S. train youth for long-range flying. The program is to be carried out by the Army and the Navy.

### Army Times' First Issue

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.—The first issue of the Army Times was published today. The paper is a weekly newspaper for the United States Army and is published by the War Department.

### Will be ranked as privates first class or higher.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.—The War Department today announced that it has decided to rank all new recruits as privates first class or higher. This decision was made to encourage more men to join the Army.

## Camp Marches, Dances To Music of Private

CAMP LIVINGSTON, La.—They shall have music wherever they go, and one of the men making certain of this in the 28th Division is Pvt. Louis A. Duhig, 31-year-old selectee from California. A Hollywood director, musician and arranger before his induction on May 7, Duhig, a member of the 112th Infantry band here, has written two songs for his regiment, and is now working on a marching song for the division.

### Croft Capers

CAMP CROFT, S. C.—The visit here of Maj. Samuel Woodfill of headquarters, replacement and school command, Army ground forces, Birmingham, Ala., occasioned a reunion with his former "top-kick" in World War I. First Sgt. Walker F. Smith of Croft's Company C-33rd training battalion, served in the 5th Infantry division, 60th regiment, in the first war under Major Woodfill. . . Eleven "veteran" non-commissioned officers of Croft's Tenth training (colored) regiment, received recognition for excellent soldiering records, with a regimental parade forming part of the honors. . . Resolution advocating Sunday movies in city of Spartanburg was adopted by mayor's committee for the suppression of prostitution and control of venereal diseases. However, the group postponed action on the matter of resignation of committee chairman, until next meeting. . . Camp Croft Quartermaster announced that over 7,500 bushels of Elberta peaches picked from trees on the reservation will be distributed to military post in this area before the season runs out. . . Pvt. Andy Cohen, former major league baseball player, was honored in Spartanburg city softball league game as he made his final appearance here with Croft Headquarters ten, prior to being transferred to a new station. . . Croft soldier-musicians participated in local community war savings bond and stamps rally.

Filipino Infantry Battalion formed . . . National Guard to be organized as triangular divisions.

Feb. 28—Four colleges add quartermaster course of the ROTC University of Alabama, Texas A & M, Michigan State and the University of Washington. . . Flight strips along highways where Army planes can land inaugurated.

March 7—High Command reorganized. Lt. Gen. Leslie McNair made commander of ground forces; Lt. Gen. H. H. Arnold, air forces; Maj. Gen. Brehon Somervell, service of supply. Emphasis is upon air war. . . Mail to and from soldiers overseas to be microfilmed. . . 7th Armored Division formed at Camp Polk, La.

### Somervell Promoted

March 14—General Somervell and 55 others nominated for promotions by President Roosevelt. . . New brown-tan tie replaces old ones.

March 21—Army Institute to teach military and allied subjects by mail.

March 28—Citizens serving in Canadian forces to be transferred to U. S. forces.

April 4—Army air stations to be thrown open to public on Army day except in vital coastal regions. . . Retailers told by U. S. to cut prices on uniforms for officers and flying cadets. . . U. S. and Great Britain to swap training films. . . Senate votes Army pay raise. . . Army to train desert fighters in wastelands of California.

April 11—Bataan Falls. . . General Marshall, arriving in England, says Army wants to "expand over here." . . Ten cavalry regiments completely mechanized.

April 18—Naturalization rules for men who serve in the forces of the United States although not citizens are relaxed so that it will be easier for them to become citizens at the completion of the war.

April 25—Dependents bill goes to Congress. . . Four new service branches established. . . Transportation Service, General Depot Service, Army Exchange Service and Statistical Service. . . Overseas parcel post limited to 11 pounds.

### Mountaineers Train

May 2—Mountain troop division to train in Rockies.

May 9—Officer School for medical men started at Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

May 16—\$50 a month pay bill goes into conference between Senate and House. . . Thirty-two divisions scheduled for organization in 1942.

May 23—Free summer theatrical programs for Army camps sponsored by USO and Camp Shows, Inc., to begin this week. . . Furloughs to be staggered throughout the year.

May 30—House fights for \$50 pay for privates rather than \$42. . . Senate Military Affairs Committee approves bill to give \$50 a month to wives of enlisted men.

June 6—An Army War Show, organized along the lines of a task force in actual combat, will go on tour of 14 major cities for the benefit of Army Emergency Relief.

June 13—\$50 a month pay hike retroactive to June 1, passes Congress. . . Supreme Court Justice Frank Murphy sworn in as lieutenant colonel.

June 20—First \$50 payday probably July 31. . . Army tests pay-as-you-go plan at Fort Bragg. . . Allowance for dependents bill passes Congress. . . Twenty-four hour clock system to be adopted by Army July 1. . . Maneuvers to begin July 13 in South.

### Army Increases

June 27—House votes funds to raise Army to four and a half million men. . . Army rules no marriages for men overseas without approval of commanding officer.

July 4—Air ferrying and transport operations of the Army consolidated under Brig. Gen. Harold L. George.

July 11—Dependent allowances deducted from paychecks although first payments to dependents won't be made until November.

July 18—Norwegian battalion of the Army of the United States to be organized at Camp Ripley, Minn. Other battalions of different nationalities may be organized.

July 25—Air-ground war starts in Carolina as VI Army Corps begins maneuvers.

Aug. 1—Design, purchase and maintenance of motor vehicles centralized under chief of ordnance.

Aug. 8—Men on Carolina maneuvers given big week-end leave to be guests of various Southern towns. . . A bill to permit soldiers who are qualified voters in their states to vote in the 1942 Senatorial elections goes before the Senate after passage by House. . . New pharmacy corps proposed. . . Post theatre charges cut to 15 cents.



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THAT'S right, it's Carol Landis of the films, who appeared with USO-Camp Shows at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., last week. While there, she took the opportunity to hold a book for Sgt. Harry Caviness, a patient at the station hospital, who was weary at the time. The sergeant's home is in Carlisle, Ark., but he'd just as soon be where he is, at the moment.

## Yancy Puts Lots of Snap Into Rubber Collecting

FORT KNOX, Ky.—If there were enough Cpl. Owen Yancy in the United States there might be more scrap rubber turned up. Yancy, who is a motorcycle instructor in the Demonstration Regiment of Brig. Gen. Stephen G. Henry's Armored Force School, is a one-man dynamo of a scrap-rubber collector. To prove it, he and a two-man detail have found, dug up or dived for nearly one ton of the war-vital product.

It all started when General Henry directed companies in his school to intensify their searches for rubber scrap.

"Heck," thought Yancy, "I know where there is some, so I'll help put my company on top." Yancy had been all over the Fort Knox reservation teaching motorcycle riding and testing motorcycles and knew where lay old tires aplenty.

### Gets Okeh

Capt. George A. Rhoads of headquarters company, special battalion, of the regiment, gave Yancy two helpers, Pvt. Wilburn O. Woodrus and John B. Hazelwood, Jr., and a figurative green light. The Yancymen have done the rest.

The first day out they came back with 400 pounds. They had scoured back roads, had combed the yards of

old houses on the reservation, had dived and waded and scraped the bottoms of old ponds.

By day the rubber pile mounted. Everything from rubber bands to old boots and rubber heels off worn-out shoes went on the heap. In a quarter-mile of wading along one creek alone they found 11 old tires.

### Yancy Modest

Withal, Yancy is modest about his achievement. "Anybody could do this," he grins. "I think there must be thousands of tons of rubber around the country if soldiers would look for it in the kind of places we did."

Yancy now has a receipt for 950 pounds of scrap rubber and has more than 700 more ready for the turn-in. The goal is a full ton.

## ARMY WRITER LAMENTS:

# Civilian's Life Not a Happy One

If any of you were to ask me, which of course none of you will, I think it is the civilian population that we have to worry about in this war. I know you hear a lot about "What To Do For A Soldier" in six easy lessons and all that, and don't think what all those people are doing isn't appreciated by us, because it is. But turn about is fair play except when you're counting to one hundred in a game of run-sheep-run, so let me state right here and now that something should be done to set aside a week duly designated as "Help A Civilian" or "Have You A Civilian On Your Gift List" week, or something like that there . . . because, believe me, they need it.

## This Week IN ARMY HISTORY

### AUGUST 15

1855—The Army cap is replaced with the black felt hat. It is looped up on the right side and fastened with an eagle. Black feathers ornament the left side, three for field officers, two for company officers and one for enlisted men.

1913—The Richardson Highway, Alaska, becomes passable for light automobiles in summertime . . . an important military development.

1914—Panama Canal opened to traffic after 10 years of toll.

1935—Will Rogers and Wiley Post killed when their plane crashes in a fog 15 miles from Point Barrow, Alaska.

### AUGUST 16

1812—Detroit surrenders to the British.

1903—Lieut. Gen. Samuel B. M. Young becomes the first chief of staff of the United States Army.

### AUGUST 17

1775—Ezekiel Cheever appointed first commissioner of artillery stores. 1803—Fort Dearborn, Ill., established.

### AUGUST 18

1898—Board consisting of Maj. Walter Reed, surgeon, U. S. Army; Maj. Victor C. Vaughan, division surgeon, U. S. V., and Maj. Edward O. Shakespear, brigadier surgeon, U. S. V., formed to investigate the extensive prevalence of typhoid fever in various military camps in the United States.

Hundred thousand volunteers for Spanish campaign ordered honorably discharged.

1928—Randolph Field is formally turned over to the United States by the citizens of San Antonio, Tex.

### AUGUST 19

1779—General "Light Horse" Harry Lee (father of Robert E. Lee) captures Paulus Hook, now Jersey City.

### AUGUST 20

1776—Washington eludes the British in Brooklyn, N. Y., in a dense "London-like" fog and transports his army across the East River to Manhattan.

1794—Gen. Anthony Wayne defeats Indians in the Battle of Fallen Timbers and as a result the frontier settlers were able to live in peace.

### AUGUST 21

1805—The Lewis and Clark expedition passes the junction of the Salmon and Menh Rivers, now "Salmon City, Idaho." Captain Lewis is the first white man to see these waters.

I personally had not realized how much we are neglecting those we left behind when we took on our zoot ARMY TIMES—Creagh Aug 12 . . . suits in khaki until just the other day when I had to make a quick trip to Dallas. I say "quick trip" merely as a figure of speech that makes it all sound important. Actually the trip lasted a little longer than a six-day bicycle race and a little less than a Cook's Tour of Lower Lithuania. By this please do not think that I am finding fault. I'm not. I'm merely finding out a lot of things about what the civilians are going through that aren't played up in the papers like sugar rationing and tire conservation and all.

### Loaded to Gunwales

We were ready to board the buses at the specified time and it is nobody's fault that government priorities have forced the bus companies to tear their collective hairs out over the problem of furnishing transportation. As a matter of record, we almost made it into a large, modern, bus before the door was clamped rudely shut in our surprised faces. When a bus is loaded, it's plainly and simply loaded and there is no theory or solution to this problem.

So we were told to take the other bus. I wasn't surprised. Whenever I register at the Waldorf-Astoria I always end up in the annex five blocks down the street. It was the same idea with the bus situation. The vehicle that had been chosen as the be-wheeled litter that was to carry us south was left over from the crop of 1912 and that was a notably bad year for anything mechanical. It was one of those high affairs that looked as if it were about to charge suddenly forward and fell flat on its face. A maneuver which it failed to execute only through the sheer determination and will power of our driver. The engine, of course, must have been given to the war salvage pile long before. I think a little old man, with a long green beard and a tall pink hat, was hidden inside the motor hood and his valiant pumping on a pair of pedals was our means

## There'll Be No Bad Drivers in 78th

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—Men in the 78th "Lightning" Division who are assigned as motor vehicle drivers are all going to be experts. They'll have to be if they expect to drive at all.

Maj. Gen. Edwin P. Parker, Jr., commanding general of the Lightning Division, issued an order requiring that all prospective drivers take a rigid driving test some time during the next two weeks.

A division school will be conducted to coordinate details of the test. Upon completion of the school, unit teams will test officers and enlisted men scheduled for assignment as drivers, assistant drivers, motor and maintenance officers and motor and maintenance non-commissioned officers and mechanics.

of locomotion. It was strictly a hand-drawn affair with time-out before each of the steeper hills along the route.

### The Poor Non-GI

It was then that I began to realize just what the average citizen is going through these days, but it took our hotel room in Dallas to really convince me that I had the right idea about it all. Our room was small. When you opened the door you went directly to bed as there was no room to do anything else. Our phone was set in the washbowl and one of us had to call for ice everytime the other wanted to wash. And when the ice came we had to put it on the fire escape. Privacy was no feature of the room either. I don't know who all shared the cubicle with us but I have a vague recollection of having six OPM officials and a Draft Board Inspector in bed with us . . . and there was a little man who came late and slept on the floor. He got up quite early to brush his teeth and leave without having the courtesy to introduce himself.

All this, several civilians told me . . . is nothing new to them during these times. Which information led me to start all this thinking about what we can do to relieve their unfortunate lot. But what really decided me on it all was the trip home when the soldiers were given the preference for the seats and the civilians were left to stare sadly at us as we moved out of the station. I don't know what became of them.

They probably followed along behind us in ox-carts.

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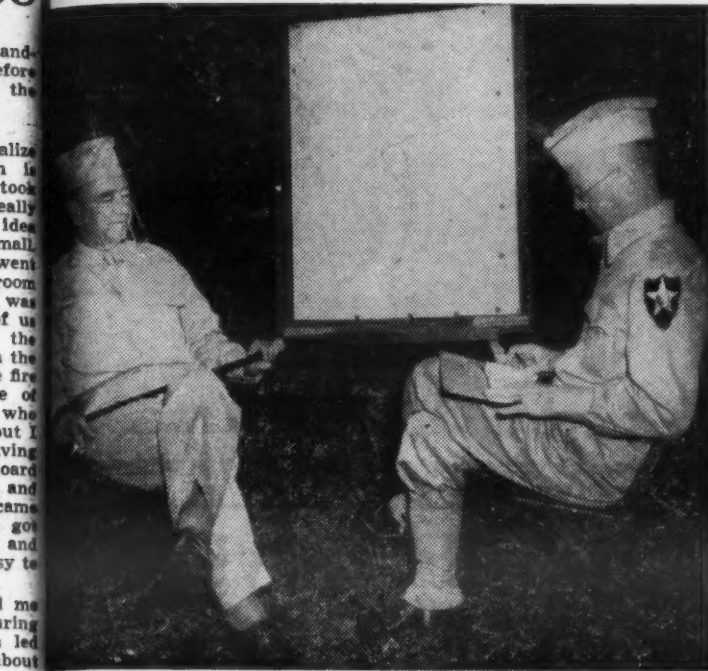
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# Third Army Has Four Months to Train for Big Fight

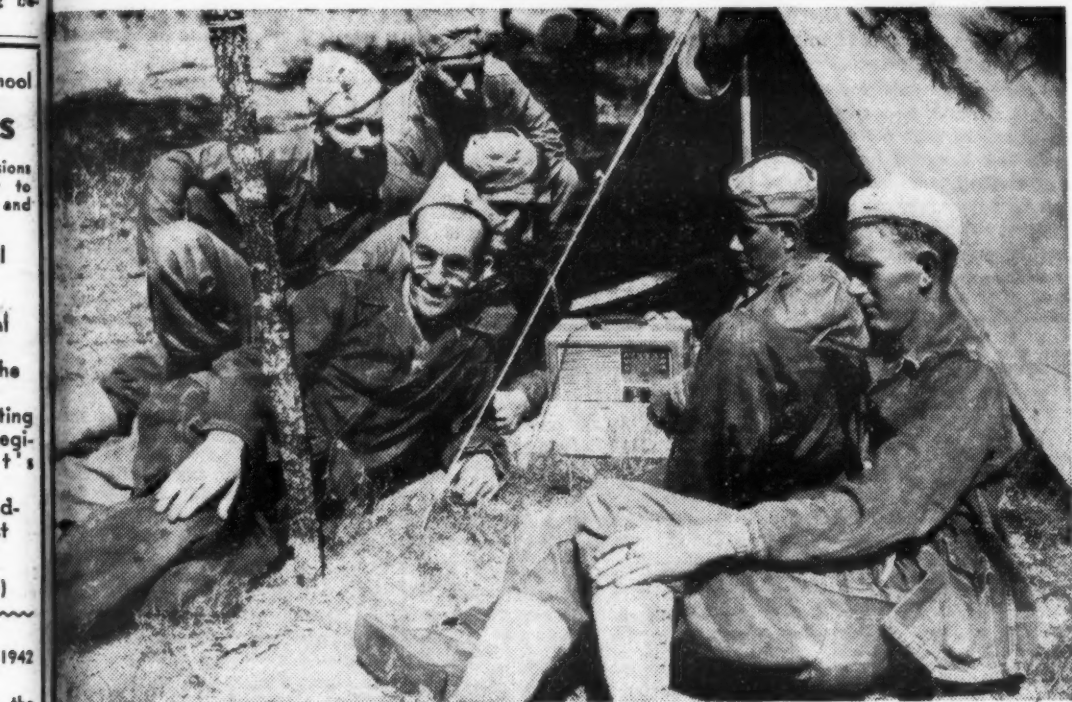


**GENERAL** view of the situation is taken at ease by Maj. Gen. Dan I. Sultan (left) commanding the VIII Army Corps, and Brig. Gen. W. M. Robertson, commanding one of his divisions. General Sultan's forces have six weeks, altogether, in which to complete their tactical problems, after which Maj. Gen. Oscar W. Griswold's IV Army Corps will take the field.



**IN A FIELD** conference during 8th Army Corps, Third Army Maneuvers in Louisiana, Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger, Commanding General of the Third Army, left in foreground group, discusses plans with Maj. General Innis P. Swift, center, commanding a Cavalry division, and Maj. Gen. John C. Person, commander of the Blue Forces. In background are, left to right: Majors F. R. Stofft, W. D. McKinley, aides to General Krueger, and Col. Clyde Eddleman, deputy director of Third Army maneuvers.

—Photos by 163rd Sig. Photo Co.



**THERE** is no backwoods with a radio in camp! Men relaxing by their tents just before going on Third Army maneuvers in Louisiana. Left to right: Pvt. Gerald Metzcar, Cpl. Victor Schnee, Pvt. John R. Valdez, Pfc. Donald Reece, Sgt. Luciana Aragon, Pvt. Raymond Riley.

## ON MANEUVERS

### Impossible Takes Longer Signal Corps Men Say

SOMEWHERE IN NORTH CAROLINA.—They hung in the air between the blue Carolina sky and the red clay. Their spikes were dug into every black telephone pole that stretched down the highway until the road made its bend. You couldn't see them beyond that point but they were perched up there too, like possums. And over several hundred miles of roads in North and South Carolina.

They didn't have much time, because the troops were due for maneuvers and the wires had to be put up. The general said so. And if a man felt slightly dizzy hanging fifteen feet above ground with a half-dozen tools dangling from him and a loop of wire around his neck, well he had to get used to it. His job was to get communication going and keep it going. He was in the Signal Corps.

Before the troops moved into the Carolina area, commercial lines carried the normal civilian load. But when thousands of troops moved into the sparsely populated area, the army set up a spider-net of wires to handle its problem.

Carloads of wire and telephone poles waited at maneuver railheads

for the 2½-ton Signal Corps trucks, which carried the equipment throughout the area. In the days that followed, post holes were dug and the poles set up, cross pieces anchored to them and the great reels of wire began threading above dusty Carolina backroads.

#### 1500 Miles of Wire

To build the Army net, 1500 miles of wire and 2000 telephone poles were used. There are 10 Army switchboards—but that isn't enough.

The soldier-linesmen must be prepared to establish communication for tent cities that are set up one night and hauled away the next. The wires must follow the troops.

To make this possible, the Signal outfits have rigged up a basic net that is flexible enough to reach eventually any single pine tree in an area of 3750 square miles. The combat troops carry 600 miles of wire from bivouac to bivouac and all the equipment that goes with it—a kind of gigantic plug-in handset telephone. Wherever a regiment sets up house-keeping, phone service will be waiting.

#### Jeep Does Its Stuff

The all-purpose jeep has its own job to do in the division and smaller

units. With a bobbin of wire hitched on its rear, the jeep goes through open fields and paths in the forest depositing the vital wire as it goes. And when the going gets too tough for the jeep, the signal men carry the wire on their backs. The question isn't how to do it—but when does it have to be done.

The Signal troops in the maneuver area have their worries and the Field Manual won't answer all the questions. They must get there first with their wires and leave last when the command post moves. And then, somehow, they must race to the new command post and get their wires up before the troops move in. They must have their trouble-shooters ready 24 hours a day because a tank turret can snap a wire in the air and a half-track can break one on the ground.

#### Use Iron Wire Now

Not only that, but the Signal men have learned a few things about priorities this year. During last year's maneuvers, copper wire was available and commercial telephone companies could and did chip in their tools and extra equipment. This year there is no extra equipment and little copper wire. So the linesmen have been putting up iron wire, which is not as efficient as copper, and have solved the problems that resulted.

When the Signal troops have three days and three nights to lay a six-mile line and it's the general's orders, they lay the line and wonder how they did it afterwards.

In the Carolinas, while training for harder "maneuvers" to come, the Signal men say: "The difficult we do right now; the impossible takes a little longer."

## Emphasis On Unit Operations With Air and Ground Coordination

THIRD ARMY HEADQUARTERS, SOMEWHERE IN LOUISIANA.—Lt. Gen. Walter L. Krueger, energetic commander of the Third Army, started his troops last week through a full-scale dress rehearsal for their performances in other theaters.

Krueger, seasoned warrior, is thoroughly familiar with this territory as a test for his command. Last summer he pitted his soldiers against the Second Army in a two-week "war game" involving nearly half a million men, the largest number of men ever to clash in this hemisphere in a real or simulated battle.

Unlike last year's problem, in which two large armies were pitted against each other, the emphasis in these maneuvers will be on unit operations. Relatively smaller elements will undergo field training of a specialized nature.

Combat training operations will last four months, and will include all seasoned elements of the Third Army. The first phase will see the VIII Army Corps, commanded by Maj. Gen. Dan I. Sultan, in action.

In the next six weeks, the VIII Army Corps will "fight out" ten tactical problems, each different, and each designed to perfect this fighting force in various types of up-to-the-minute combat operations. Most important of these is the close coordination of air and ground forces for trip-hammer offensive purposes.

This phase of the maneuvers will include a number of spectacular and daring operations by units that have been perfecting their technique for months. These operations are of a highly advanced nature, incorporating the lessons learned in the war to date, plus numerous improvements and new departures.

After the VIII Army Corps has concluded its six weeks' "course" of ten tactical problems, the IV Army Corps, commanded by Maj. Gen. Oscar W. Griswold, will take the field and undergo the same training, also under the personal direction of General Krueger.

## Infantry Division Heads Involved in Changes

Maj. Gen. John Millikin has been relieved of command of the 83rd Infantry Division, Camp Aterbury, Ind., and has been assigned to command the 33rd Infantry Division, Camp Forrest, Tenn., succeeding Maj. Gen. Frank C. Mahin who was killed in an airplane crash last month, the War Department announced.

General Millikin has been succeeded by Brig. Gen. Frank W. Milburn, as commander of the 83rd Division.

## Warrant Officers to Wear Regulation Officers' Shirt

Army warrant officers' shirts will be of design identical with that of commissioned officers, the War Department said today. The shirt differs from the enlisted man's in that there is on each shoulder a loop of the same material as the shirt let into the sleeve head seam and reaching the edge of the collar, buttoning at the upper end, cross stitched down to the shoulder for a distance of two inches from the lower end.

## Pick-em-up Keep It Up—Maneuvers

SOMEWHERE IN THE CAROLINAS.—Tonight that old Carolina moon looks down on thousands of men in bivouac deep in the maneuver area in the 1942 Carolina maneuvers, concentrating on the practice of war. Simulated war, it's true, but as close to the real thing as Maj. Gen. E. J. Dawley, maneuver director, can make it.

For training in the Carolina maneuvers is a continuous routine of pick-em-up and put-em-down. Though monotonous at times, the marvelous training the doughboy is given, the better prepared for action he will be. Observers report noticeable improvement in physical fitness and stamina, which is more characteristic of the well trained soldier.

The Carolina maneuver area is the workshop in which is tested the machines and the men, some of whom will soon be putting into practice on foreign soil the lessons learned in Carolina.

That's the reason thousands of men march along the dusty roads of the Carolina backwoods, building up the stamina that later will stand them in good stead.

These men, coming from all parts of the United States, live a far different life from their civilian pursuits. Here, they learn how to polish their operation of tanks, trucks, motorcycles, radios, machine guns, howitzers—but, better than that, they also learn how to get along with little . . . and still do a good job.

In Carolina they learn how to keep dry in driving rain, to camouflage their trucks—their tents—to keep clean even though they bathe and shave in scattered muddy streams and creeks—they are learning, in short—how to be better soldiers.

For these men have all had their basic training, now they are becoming more self-reliant, resourceful, inventive and tough. Here prior to actual battle an army of soldiers is being forged and welded into a smooth, coordinated combat force out of farmers, bank clerks, mechanics and factory workers.

The long hikes, the dust—the discomfort—the pitting of one force against another—the Reds against the Blues is all in preparation for a very grim business—war.

Morale is high. A year ago many men could not see the importance of maneuvers—this year they do. They are performing their tasks earnestly. They know that their training might mean the difference between life and death. They are in the fight to win, knowing that the best prepared, best equipped and best trained men win.

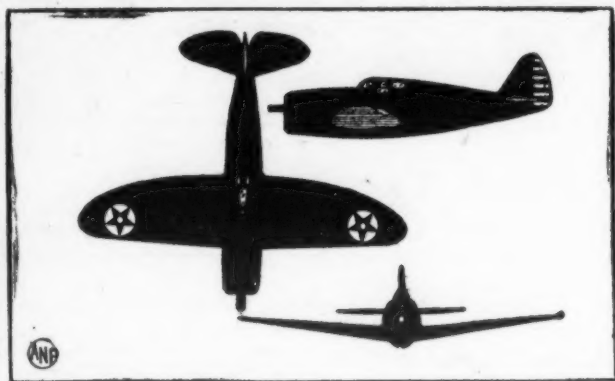




A DOG picked up soldiers of the MRTC while they marched to Camp Pickett, Va. She was named "Litterbearer" and promptly came through by producing seven pups, as above. They've signed up for the duration—three with the Medical soldiers, four with the canine branch of the WAAC.

## The Army's Planes

Republic P-47



THIS is the "Thunderbolt," photographs of which appeared last week in Army Times. It's the most powerful single-engine pursuit yet built by any nation. Horsepower, 2000; speed, "more than 400 miles per hour." Engine is boosted by a gas-driven turbo supercharger, which makes it capable of fighting at very high altitudes.

## New Enlistee Recalls Service With Famous Flying Tigers

"Ship me somewhere east of Suez, where the best is like the worst, Where there ain't no Ten Commandments an' a man can raise a thirst. For the temple bells are callin' and it's there that I would be, By the old Moul Mein Pagoda, lookin' lazy at the sea."

CAMP GRANT, Ill.—Rudyard Kipling must have had young Leon Johnston in mind when he wrote those words for Oley Speaks' famed song, "On the Road to Mandalay." For those sentences bespeak the thoughts and hopes running through Johnston's mind today as he awaits a permanent assignment from Camp Grant's recruit reception center.

And the young soldier knows what he wants and why he wants it.

He knows of that old Moul-Mein Pagoda and Rangoon and Toungoo and Chunking and Mandalay because he spent four months there with the "Flying Tigers," daring group of young American airmen who volunteered to go to China and help stave off the attacking Japanese.

Johnston, who enlisted in the Army last week and was sent to Camp Grant, was a charter member of the "Tigers" and went to Burma with the original group commanded by

Claire L. Chennault, a retired Army colonel.

### Enlisted June, 1941

Born just 23 years ago, Johnston served in the Army nearly five years before he and 23 buddies from Selfridge Field, Mich., discharged in June, 1941, volunteered en masse to go to China.

The Tigers had no idea what the next few months held in store for them, and they cared less. Mostly, they were "just soldiers of fortune out after adventure," as Johnston phrased it.

The organization they had was established on a purely arbitrary basis, but its discipline was strictly military because all of the men were ex-soldiers, sailors and marines.

### 75 Pilots

In all, there were 125 of them. About 75 were pilots, the others ground men. Johnston had been in engineering and operations work with the Air Corps at Selfridge, so he became chief of operations and intelligence for the outfit.

The going was tough for the American Volunteer Group—its official name during these early days. Sailing from the west coast in July, 1941, they landed in Rangoon with no equipment other than their clothing. Leaving Honolulu, Singapore and Rangoon behind them, then, they headed for an RAF airdrome at Toungoo, where they lived in thatched huts, ate oriental food, and gathered their planes and equipment bit by bit from here, there, and everywhere.

Although the pilots were experienced, they had to be taught the tactics designed by Chennault. So they flew to Kunming, China, and established their training program.

### No Picnic

The escapade wasn't any picnic, said the slight, blue-eyed soldier. To

add to their troubles in acquiring equipment, were sickness and teetering morale. A few of the men lost faith and resigned, others became sick and were forced to return to the United States.

Yet, they were replaced almost immediately by new volunteers and under the guidance of Chennault they battled their way over the rough spots and saw action—plenty of it in China and Burma after last Dec. 7.

But Johnston's lot wasn't to see the action on that front, either with the group as "Flying Tigers" or, later, after they became members of the United States Army Air Force.

Just about the time the AVG got under way he was taken with malaria fever and had to return to the "States," stopping en route at Calcutta, Capetown, Rio de Janeiro and Trinidad.

### Cured Now

Completely cured now, Johnston has been working in Rockford, Ill. for the past several months and living with a brother, Gerald.

He hasn't seen any of his AVG buddies since he came back, but shortly after he re-enlisted in the Army at Camp Grant he met another old friend, Lt. Floyd C. Plowman, adjutant at the post's station hospital. Johnston and the lieutenant served together in the supply section of the 27th Pursuit Squadron at Selfridge Field, before the officer was transferred to Camp Grant and Johnston went to the Orient in search of adventure.

"The Burma Road isn't any Dixie Highway," said he, "and living in Burma and China isn't exactly what Riley had in mind. But that doesn't matter. For me, it's there that I would be, by the old Moul-Mein Pagoda, lookin' lazy at the sea."

## You Can Phone in Comfort at Eustis

By Cpl. Klutts

FORT EUSTIS, Va.—A new long-distance attended pay station, complete with eight booths and a three-position switchboard with 10 circuits was officially opened here last week by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Co. It is said to be the most attractive and best located of its kind in Virginia.

The new station is a vast improvement in the facilities afforded the men of this post. Previously the only pay stations here were located in the battalion recreation halls and in the open where soldiers had to wait in the hot sun in the summer months and in rain and cold in the winter.

In addition to the three operators who handle the switchboard, there are two cashiers and a supervisor in the office. Whenever a soldier wants to make a call, he goes to the counter and gives the information to an attendant, who records it on a toll ticket and hands the ticket to an operator. The soldier then can sit

down in a comfortable chair while the call is being put through.

When the operator gets his party, she connects the call with one of the

## Pickett Pickups

Special to Army Times

CAMP PICKETT, Va.—While practicing rifle positions, one day this week, a private in the 79th Division, stretched full length under a scorching sun, turned a sweating countenance up to the officer in charge and calmly inquired, "Can I turn over now, sir? I'm done on one side."

### ORDERS

Two likely-sounding yarns are going the rounds among troops in a 79th Division unit.

One is about a sentinel who halted the officer of the day and told him to advance and be recognized. After a considerable wait, the curious OD asked, "Are you going to keep me at attention all night?"

The flustered sentinel replied quickly, "No, sir. Parade rest!"

The other is about the first-nighter sentinel who halted a figure in the dark and ordered him to advance and be recognized. Apparently forgetting what to do next, the sentinel let the stranger stand for a long time. Exasperated, the halted soldier asked, "What do I do now?"

"Carry on," chirped the guardsman.

### NOMINEE

Among the six Camp Pickett soldiers who have been recommended to Third Service Command Headquarters as possible candidates for the All-Army Eastern grid squad is one who appears outstanding. He is Paul K. DeBruhl of the 79th Division. He stands 6 feet 3 inches, weighs 220, and is 23 years old. He played a season of professional ball with the Charlotte, N. C., Clippers and before entering the Army was offered a contract with the Detroit Lions, which attracts some of the best college gridiron talent each year.

booths and the supervisor summons the soldier over a loud-speaker system and directs him to the booth. As soon as the call is completed he pays his bill at the cashier's desk, eliminating a hunt for change and dropping coins in a slot.

The equipment in the office is of the latest type. There is a small electric fan in each booth . . . a great improvement over the former sweat-boxes. There are also pads and pencils and ash trays.

Directories from a number of the larger cities will be kept. At present there are directories from New York city, including the boroughs of Bronx, Manhattan, Queens, and Brooklyn, Norfolk, Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Chicago.

The station is open from 4:30 p. m. until 10 p. m. during the week, and from 2 p. m. until 7:30 p. m. on Sundays. In addition to the new station, there are 30 other public telephones on the post.

## Seek Marching Song for AGF

A competition to select an official marching song for the Army Ground Forces has been announced. No prizes are offered in this competition.

The competition, open to all enlisted and commissioned personnel on active duty with the Army Ground Forces, will close September 30.

The winning composition will be selected by Capt. Thomas F. Darcy, Jr., leader of the United States Army Band and dean of the Army Music School for band leaders; Capt. Ammon E. Gingrich, executive officer of the school, and Chief Warrant Officer John S. Martin, chief instructor of the school.

All compositions submitted must be new and original, and the title, as well as the verses, must deal with the Army Ground Forces generally. No branch of the service should be emphasized more than another.

Compositions should be mailed to the AGF Marching Song Competition, Public Relations Section, Headquarters Army Ground Forces, Army War College, Washington, D.C., and should be postmarked not later than September 30.

## U.S., Brazil Plot Joint Defense

Preliminary conversations on important problems of hemisphere defense have been opened in Washington by the joint Brazil-United States defense commission, the War Department announced following the arrival by plane from Brazil of Maj. Gen. Leitao de Carvalho, of the Brazilian army general staff, at Bolling Field, D. C.

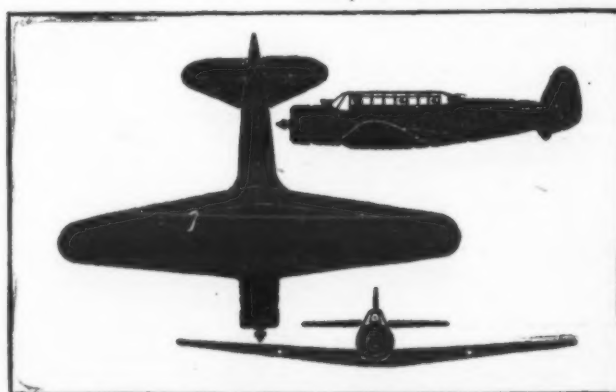
A distinguished soldier, who in 44 years has served in all grades of the army from private to general and who has been decorated by seven foreign countries, General Carvalho is the senior member of the group of Brazilian general staff officers who will participate in the conferences here.

Maj. Gen. J. Garesche Ord, Army of the United States, chairman of the commission, and representatives of the Army, Navy, and State Departments, met General Carvalho and his party at Miami.

General Ord flew to Washington with the Brazilian party, which was met at Bolling Field by Lieut. Gen. Joseph T. McNarney, deputy chief of staff, representing Gen. George C. Marshall, chief of staff.

## The Enemy's Planes

Showa Sho Fighter



JAP'S Showa Sho 98 is a single-seated low-wing monoplane and was built for both bombing missions and fighting. It can be identified by the slight dihedral of its round-tapered wings, its single tail fin and rounded fuselage. Maximum cruising speed is about 220 miles per hour.



# Nazi 'Pak'

STEEL FINS

RECOIL CYLINDER

DIAGRAM shows a cross-section of the Goetsch gun. It can be reconstructed from reliable appearance of the bullet used.

The German Goetsch gun, specializing in the fighting in Libya, represents a new advance. Officially named the "28 millimeter tank defense cannon" Unit, it is known as the "squeezee gun" because of its unique projectile.

The barrel of the Goetsch gun is smoothbore and it has the further outstanding feature of narrowing toward the muzzle. Such narrowing barrels are known as "chokebore" or "shotgun design," but the choke has been carried to an incredible extent. The barrel of the Goetsch gun measures 20 millimeters across the bore near the muzzle, but widens to 28 millimeters near the breech. It is a reduction in diameter from one and one-eighth inches to only four-fifths of an inch. The diameter of the bullet is 28 millimeters so that it is just squeezed through the muzzle. Before firing, the bullet is seated in a copper cone bearing copper "skirts" with a diameter of 28 millimeters. As the bullet is being fired and passes through the narrowing barrel toward the muzzle the copper skirts are squeezed backward. This tends to seal the tendency to unseat the bullet with the cone so that the latter is pushed forward, after leaving the barrel, the bullet forges ahead at full speed. That speed is very high, and

# Old Battlefields Allied Invasion

If the United Nations decide to make France or the Lowlands the scene of their invasion of the continent, they will be fighting once again over ancient battlefields. The disasters of 1940, the terrific struggles of the World War I, the historic wars of past centuries—all have bloodied the quiet valleys of the Somme, the Oise, the Aisne and the Scheldt.

A modern march through France or Flanders would, of course, reverse the usual route of the conquerors who have driven down the valleys to the sea. The British and the Americans will have to move eastward, following the river courses from some disputed landing place into the heart of France or Belgium, and eventually into Germany itself.

There are several requisites to a successful invasion of the continent. First and most essential is complete control of the air. That is the compelling reason for thinking the attack may be made close to the English Channel, where fighter planes from nearby British airfields can keep the skies clear of Stukas and Messerschmitts. Such rule of the air must wait until enough U. S. planes have arrived to give the Allies superiority over all the Nazi planes now in France and those they might summon from Germany—and even from the eastern front.

**Huge Army Needed**  
Second in importance will be a huge invasion force, at its smallest not less than 500,000 trained fighting

men, and probably at least 1,000,000. Behind them there must be enough reinforcements, and sufficient reserves of guns, ammunition, food and planes to keep them in the field—and on the offensive—indefinitely.

Operations of such magnitude will require an unprecedented fleet of ships. An invasion along the Channel coast would have the advantage that small craft, Channel boats, ferries, fishermen, motor barges, almost anything that will float, could be used for transporting troops and their gear over the narrow seas.

The dangers, of course, will be enormous. Germany has been preparing for a British invasion ever

since 1941, when it was discovered that the Nazis already had started building military roads to the sea. The Nazis claim to have built a new "West Wall" all along the invasion coast, armed with guns from the Maginot Line.

## Must Seize Port

The first point of attack may be some forgotten fishing port, large enough to accommodate landing barges, but sufficiently far from main highways and railroads so the Germans will find it difficult to rush troops to the defense. Once a bridgehead is established, the next essential will be the capture of a deep water port, where large steamers will be able to unload troops and supplies quickly and efficiently. Such port, it may be expected, will be well protected on its seaward side. Perhaps the Allies, learning from Singapore, will find it vulnerable from behind.

When the time for a Second Front comes, the attack will be preceded by an intense bombing of the transportation centers through which German reinforcements would have to pass. The fact that recent large-scale RAF bombings have centered in the Ruhr and the Industrial Rhineland does not, however, necessarily point to a move in that direction.

Essen, Duisberg, Cologne and the Saar are all vital transportation centers through which German reserves would be shuttled to meet an attack on any western front. They also are vital manufacturing towns, producing guns and munitions and planes to feed all the German armies. The more completely they can be put out of commission now, the better the chances of any Allied landing.

# Graduation and Dedication Of School Held at Same Time

CAMP CROWDER, Mo.—The Midwestern Signal Corps School here was formally dedicated Aug. 11, with all-day ceremonies that included graduation of the first class.

Until recently the only school for advanced training in Signal Corps communications methods was that of the Signal Corps Center at Fort Monmouth, N. J. With the opening of the Midwestern Signal Corps School, the Fort Monmouth school has been renamed the Eastern Signal Corps School. Another school for specialized technical training was opened by the Signal Corps at Camp Murphy, Fla., on July 5.

In the ceremonies at Camp Crowder, Maj. Gen. Walter E. Prosser, commandant of the Midwestern Signal Corps School, accepted the keys to the buildings from the Corps of Engineers, which completed the facilities in record time.

Diplomas to the graduating class were presented on behalf of the Chief Signal Officer by Brig. Gen. Charles M. Milliken, Chief of the Signal Operations Service in the office of the chief Signal officer, Washington. The ceremonies were followed by open house in the various buildings and sections of the school.



THIS is sucker bait. Wrong way to climb fence is to leave rifle and use hands to go over (left). Correct method is to take rifle along, be sure to be in position to fire back at foe (right).



THERE are right and wrong ways of crossing a stream. Soldier at left is incorrectly concentrating on balance and is an easy victim for an enemy. Best way (right) is to fire from hip and keep on crossing.

—NEA Pictures



## Bliss Bits

**FORT BLISS, Tex.**—A Bliss soldier who claims to be the Army's only bull-fighter left here last week for Officer Candidate School.

Technician Fourth Grade Jimmy Oakes, former master of ceremonies at Juarez night clubs, has been selected to attend Cavalry School at Fort Riley, Kan. Oakes has appeared in the Juarez bull ring in uniform.

A Fort Bliss visitor last week, if not of his own choosing, was Tech. Sgt. Frank S. Leavitt, better known as "Man Mountain" Dean, the bearded behemoth wrestler.

The soldier was confined to William Beaumont General Hospital with illness.

### HONOR?

Carole Landis' visit to Fort Bliss last week occasioned heights of diplomacy in one sergeant of the Detachment DEML.

Miss Landis saw the sergeant carrying a yet-unnamed puppy and was all-interest. What was the puppy's name, she asked.

"Carole," promptly replied the sergeant.

### FOOTBALLER

Jimmy Castiglia, former Philadelphia Athletics baseball star who also played football professionally, was given the chance last week at Fort Bliss to report to Col. Robert R. Neyland at Yale University for training in the Army All-Star football camp.

Private Castiglia, who is in Cavalry without ever having owned a horse, rejected the chance to eventually get in Officer Candidate School.

Raymond E. Forbes, formerly 591st Tank Destroyer battalion, is no longer have to worry about being too near to wool. The dark-complected soldier, who has an allergy toward woolen clothes, has been transferred to the Canal Zone where he may wear khaki the year round.

### HONOR

During events of military history may be traced in the collection of regimental insignia belonging to Capt. E. I. Polsley, Commander of Detachment

Capt. Polsley has been seriously collecting the insignia for the last 25 years, although he started picking them up while in the last war, when he was with the 26th Division. The prize of his collection is the insignia of the 141st Infantry regiment, a continuation of the 1st Texas Infantry that fought at the Alamo.

### DECORATED

Cpl. Harry Newman, now casually attached at Fort Bliss, is one of 43 men decorated this week with the Order of the Purple Heart medal for being wounded while at Pearl Harbor during the Japanese attack of December 7.

Corporal Newman was at Hickman Field at the time, and won the award for "meritorious acts of essential service" at the time of the attack. He is from New York. His wounds brought him confinement to William Beaumont General Hospital here.

H. 321st Infantry.

Private Gilley not only has no trouble with his own but he makes a hobby of remembering the number of soldiers and knows those of every man on the first floor of his barrack, and most of them on the second floor.

He disclaims any identification with a certain movie star, but his name is Pvt. Robert Taylor and he's a member of the Service Company of the 321st Regiment.

A new wrinkle in methods of brightening up soldiers' "day rooms" has been evolved by Battery A, 318th FA Battalion. Symbols representing the former trades and professions of many of the battery's members are included in the redecoration project.

### TOO MANY GUESTS

Many soldiers of the Wildcat (81st) Infantry Division aren't getting a chance to feel lonesome. Mrs. Imogene Wright, manager of the guest house of Service Club No. 2 says.

There were so many visitors recently that only about half of them could be handled. Fifty-four can be housed at a time, but 42 were turned away in a single weekend. So soldiers have been asked to make reservations for their visitors at least two weeks in advance.

The Lone Star State, the largest in the union, probably furnished the longest corporal to Headquarters, 906th Battalion. He is Phillip Cordell Jr., who is 6 feet 4½ inches tall, from Fort Worth, Tex.

### SANDS FORMATIONS

A Battery, 906th Battalion has a mascot, that believes in keeping right up with the men of the company. Each morning since the first men have started to arrive at Camp Rucker, (81st) Infantry Division, the mascot has been present at each reveille. This mascot is a little white dog, about six inches in length, and if he keeps eating the way he has been, he will be about as wide as he is long.

the last one to retire at nights, the

## Eustis Parade

By Cpl. Jim Klutts

**FORT EUSTIS, Va.**—Enthusiastically received as one of the best USO-Camp shows to be brought to this post, the Musical Revue "Hollywood Follies" made a tremendous hit with the soldiers here last Friday and Saturday nights. . . . Every act on the bill was of top-notch calibre and received tremendous applause from the packed house.

Three Fort Eustis men, formerly outstanding collegiate gridiron stars, are now candidates for the East and West Army football teams. . . . Corporals George Cafego and Kenneth Fryer reported last week to Col. Robert R. Neyland, coach of the Eastern eleven, at Yale University in New Haven, Conn. . . . and Pvt. George Zorich reported early this week to Col. John C. Butner, Jr., at Camp Cooke, Calif.

Many humorous incidents happen in connection with the telephone during the course of a day's time. . . . The other morning Maj. Arthur Blackburn picked up his receiver to make a call, when a voice said, "Who is this?" . . . "And who is this?" inquired the major. . . . "Captain Young," was the reply. . . . "Well, I'm Major Blackburn, I was just starting to call you, Captain," was the answer. . . . "Well," said the captain, "I was just calling you, so now we can get down to business!"

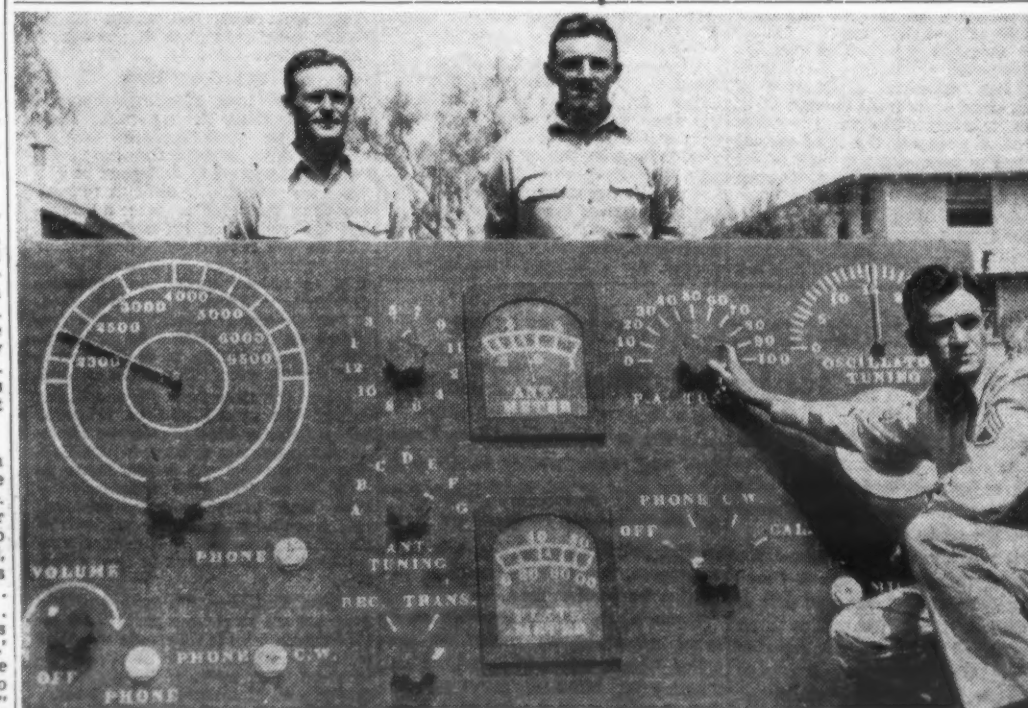
One of the latest editions to the personnel of this post turns out to be "Oscar The Columbus Wizard" Smith, a magician of the first water.

### Quick Trip

**CAMP ATTERBURY, Ind.**—Sgt. Hobart G. Gillespie Jr. has been around but the fastest trip he took was to get his master sergeant's stripes. Sergeant Gillespie who is only 20, has been in the Army just a year and a half.

His parents traveled so he attended school in 30 states. As soon as he became old enough, he started to see the rest of the country on his own and he has been in every state in the Union as well as most of Canada and Mexico.

It is too good for his associates, the barracks, his bed, the food. He doesn't outwardly say so, but his expression had "this may be alright for you guys, but I was brought up to appreciate better things." And the first thing you know some plucky chap hands him a deserving punch in the jaw. Now the silent-suffering type is more tolerable, but certainly a pain to any group of men. He doesn't smile. He has a half-dumpy, weebegone look on his face. Maybe he has a lot of peevs and maybe he hasn't. He doesn't say, but we wish he would. Then we'd know what to say to him.



**STUDENTS** in the radio school at Camp Wolters, Tex., get instruction on this mammoth radio panel, which enables an instructor to stand at the front of a classroom and point out features to the entire class. Left to right are: Cpl. James F. Snelling, Sgt. Hosmer Cropp and Staff Sgt. Walter Carpenter.



## West Pointers Given Workout at Pine Camp

PINE CAMP, N.Y.—The entire cadet corps of the United States Military Academy came to Pine Camp Military Reservation last week on a mission unprecedented in the history of the academy.

Traveling by special train the gentlemen of West Point arrived here, 1,500 strong, under the leadership of Colonel Gallagher, commandant of the Corps of Cadets.

The cadets were not attired in their traditional greys, but instead wore the khaki uniform of the Army's combat troops. They were fully equipped with steel helmets to pup tents and their own field pieces, and were marched from the trains to their tented bivouac area to the martial strains of the 35th Armored Regiment Band.

Their one-week stay at Pine Camp was to put the theories learned all winter in the classroom to practise under war-like conditions. The future generals were divided into "Red" and "Blue" armies and spent the first part of the week attacking and counter-attacking among themselves.

This marked the beginning of an epic mock battle, when the Cadets were to meet on the field of battle a most formidable foe in the 4th Armored Division.

It was to rage relentlessly for three days and three nights while both armies, keyed to the competition, used all the strategy, material and fortitude they could muster.

The cadets were greeted at the

point of debarkation by Maj. Gen. John S. Wood, commanding general of the 4th Armored Division, and Col. Hugo D. Selton, commanding officer of Pine Camp, who was present to welcome his son, Robert, plebe at the academy, as well as to extend the "keys to the camp" to the Cadet Corps.

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MEMBERS of the 39th Infantry Anti-Tank Company go into action with their deadly 37's during the Ninth Division's Second Anniversary Day held recently at Fort Bragg, N. C.

—Photo by Cpl. Ed Hopkins, 39th P.R.O.

## Marvin "Mishap" Combs . . .

## Gets a Furlough on His Record

GROVER PAGE, Jr.

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—When Marvin Combs had been in the Army months he was granted a seven-day furlough by his company clerk, Redtape. As he packed he hummed "On the Banks of the Ohio . . ." wistfully to himself.

Just after retreat he started

in a broken-down car with eight

tyres and four bad tires.

Marvin's suitcase was tied on top.

The boys were singing "Back Home

in Indiana" so loud that Marvin

didn't know the suitcase fell off

the corner of 51st Street and 2nd

avenue. Half way to Hattiesburg the

suicide, a natural, peaceful death of

age. The passing busses were

stopped, and Marvin doubted that

he would ever get to Hattiesburg, let

alone Indiana. But fortune was on

his side for once, and he did get to

Hattiesburg, via the police wagon.

He was detained two days in the

Hattiesburg jail for hitch-hiking, but

was happy because at least he

was on his way.

On the sixth day he made it home,

where he intended to surprise his

girl. It was midnight and the house

was dark and locked up. While try-

ing to slide in through the coal

hole, Marvin was apprehended and

thrown into jail in his own home

for attempted housebreaking.

Judge, a friend of his father,

Marvin that his folks had left

the day before for a month's vaca-

tion in the South.

There was Sylvia . . . Sylvia

Stymie, his One-and-Only. Hadn't

he confessed that she was lonely

unhappy—in BOTH her letters?

He spent his last nickel calling her

and found that she had just left

her honeymoon with his best pal,

Bill King.

That should be enough to throw

any office into a quandry. It was 1st

Sgt. James E. Jones' way of an-

nouncing that a stray dog left a

litter of pups under one of the hut-

ments.

(Note: Marvin Combs is the mythical soldier of the 38th's 152nd Infantry who boosts morale simply by having worse luck than any other soldier in the U. S. Army. If anything bad has happened, it certainly has happened to Combs, and anything that's wrong with any soldier is not half as bad as what's wrong with Combs. The following tells what transpired when Combs was granted a furlough.

Willie DeFerd, who worked in a munitions factory making mop handles, scrub brushes, G.I. cans and swivel chairs.

He stood alone on the corner, the rain beating down. His existence was empty, and the blackness of his little world seemed to spread over everything. . . . (He didn't know a practice blackout had gone into effect while he was in the phone booth.)

Deprived of home and love, Marvin fell into bad company at the Stars and Stripes Cafe, a low dive run by two fat civilians, Dan Dodger and John Jip. A flashy red-head named Janet was attentive and he was grateful, until he found out he was

supposed to pay ten cents a dance. At the bar he ordered a straight gin, and drank somebody else's zombie for a chaser by mistake. When he was revived, he found that he had only a one-mill Mississippi tax token in his pocket and so he spent his last furlough day washing dishes.

At the bus station luck was with him when he met a buddy from his outfit, Sergeant Shark, who generously loaned him a ten spot at 100 per cent interest. In the bus time table he confused Hattiesburg with Gettysburg and got back to camp 17 days AWOL.

You think you've got troubles—how about Combs?

## Barkeley Pillbox

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Members of the MRTC personnel office were just a little bit confused when they read this on the morning report of Co. E, 56th Bn. the other day.

"Seven new recruits assgd to & jd per par 1 SO, from pedigree 1st cl. Age three days. Nationality (Cane) five black, two white. Names July, August, September, October, November, December, & January ration separately. (Mother rationing with Co.). Due pay July 31, 1942 to Aug. 3, 1942 both dates incl."

That should be enough to throw any office into a quandry. It was 1st Sgt. James E. Jones' way of announcing that a stray dog left a litter of pups under one of the hutments.

Night litter drill?

### ANNOUNCEMENT

Members of Headquarters Detachment Barracks No. 1, MRTC, were enjoying a typical evening the other night—doing nothing. On the second floor, 15 men buzzed with excitement—half of them were asleep, buzzing on saws, and the remainder were giving girls a buzzing through the halls. Someone turned the radio on and caught the MRTC broadcast from the Service Club. All was well, everybody was enjoying the program, when all of a sudden, Announced Bill King's voice fairly screamed: "There is never a dull moment in MRTC!" It took a half hour to restore some semblance of order in the barracks, and far, far into the night, the cadremen could be heard saying unpleasant things about the philosophy of one Announcer Bill King!

### FIELD-DAY

Labor Day will be keynoted in MRTC by a mammoth field day program Plans for the air, the second of its kind in the center, are already under way, supervised by Special Services and Athletics officer. Thirteen battalions are expected to compete in the program, "which will include drill competition, tent-pitching events, obstacle course races, tug-o-war, horseshoe pitching and foot races. Awards will be presented to all winners.

## New Transportation Corps Sports Symbol Insignia

Rail, highway and water transportation are symbolized in insignia to be worn by the recently created Transportation Corps of the Army's Services of Supply.

The official insignia will be gold-colored metal, consisting of a winged railroad car wheel, symbolic of railway transportation, flanged on a rail and charged on a shield placed upon an eight-spoke ship's steering wheel.

The shield, fashioned after the country's Federal route markers, represents highway transportation and the ship's wheel, water transportation. The insignia will be worn by both officers and enlisted men, the officers' as a cut-out and the enlisted mens mounted on a disc.

The newly adopted colors of the Transportation Corps are brick red piped with golden yellow. They will appear on the garrison caps of enlisted personnel, and be used on guidons and other symbols of the corps.

The new insignia will be the first to be worn in the Army denoting transportation activities. While approval was given in 1919 of insignia for the then existent Transportation Service. It was never worn, because on June 4, 1920, Congress adopted an amendment to the National Defense Act placing transportation and motor transport services under the Quartermaster Corps.



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## Med Soldiers Save Life

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—Army medical training demonstrated its use here this week when six MRTC medical soldiers helped save the life of a Texas youth severely injured in an automobile accident six miles from Abilene on the Camp Barkeley road.

Charles Patterson, 17, of Abilene, suffered a severe gash in his right arm which severed the artery and the bone bare. Sgt. Levere Stem, member of the Medical Administrative Corps, Officers' Candidate School, here, came upon the boy. Assisted by Officer Candidates John and Allen Katz, Cpl. George J. Schuler and Pfc. Roger Pratt of the OCS school detachment, Sergeant Stem immediately applied a tourniquet stemming the flow of blood.

The soldiers also administered first aid to three other victims of the crash. One man had suffered a broken back, another a broken arm and a girl occupant suffered a broken hip.

Sergeant Bill Morgan of the 30th Hosp. at Barkeley, arrived and in charge of Patterson before a medical ambulance arrived. Realizing that Patterson's artery had been severed, Sergeant Morgan probed for upper end of it with his finger. Finding it, he extended it as far as possible, and tied a knot in the knowing that loss of much blood would be fatal.



# Army All-Stars Sweat Through Practice

## Wade Says He'll Pick For Ability

CAMP COOKE, Calif. — As Green Bay Packer officials and civic leaders meeting in Milwaukee set a \$75,000 goal for Army Emergency Relief to benefit from the Packer-Army all-star football game in Milwaukee Sept. 13, Maj. Wallace Wade, coach of the western team promised players in practice here there would be no favorites.

Players will be chosen by ability as evidenced in practice and not on reputation, Wade said. "I have orders to produce a winning team and if a man can't produce he'll be shipped back to his Army post."

Wade had plenty of big name players at his beck and call. There is big John Kimbrough, former all-America fullback from Texas A. & M., for instance. And if he wishes he can start three of the four famous Texas A. & M. backfield men who played together in 1940, including Kimbrough, Marion Pugh, and Jimmy Thomason.

Among the players on the roster are Kay Eaking, Don Scott, Jimmy Nelson, Dick Schweidler, Joe Brunansky, Joe Linhal, Vic Markov, Joe Payne, Harold Van Every, Frank Emmons, Ben Kish, Dennis Andrich, Joe Davis, "Hunk" Manzo, Emilie Fritz, and Ralph Kercheval.

A committee of Milwaukee businessmen has agreed to help promote the Green Bay Packers' game, the first of a series for the all-stars. The business men will solicit 1,000 contributions of \$25 each. A reserve seat will be given with each contribution.

Marquette University is donating its stadium for the game and no player nor member of the Packer organization will be paid for his services.

## Baseball Scores

SATURDAY, Aug. 8

**American League**  
New York, 8; Philadelphia, 4.  
St. Louis, 6; Detroit, 4.  
**National League**  
Boston, 2; Brooklyn, 0.  
Cincinnati, 2-0; Chicago, 1-3 (last game 12 innings).  
Pittsburgh, 5; St. Louis, 5 (called end of 16th, darkness).

SUNDAY, Aug. 9

**American League**  
Chicago, 11-3; Cleveland, 1-3.  
Detroit, 9-3; St. Louis, 3-1.  
**National League**  
New York, 3-2; Philadelphia, 2-0 (last game 10 innings).  
St. Louis, 4-2; Pittsburgh, 3-1 (2nd game called end of 8th, Sunday law).  
Chicago, 10-1; Cincinnati, 8-2 (1st game 18 innings).

MONDAY, Aug. 10

**American League**  
Philadelphia, 4-2; New York, 1-3.  
Washington, 9-1; Boston, 3-0.  
Chicago, 3; Cleveland, 1.  
**National League**  
Brooklyn, 6; Philadelphia, 0.  
Pittsburgh, 6; St. Louis, 4.

TUESDAY, Aug. 11

**American League**  
Washington, 3; Philadelphia, 1.  
Boston, 3; New York, 2 (11 innings).  
St. Louis, 9; Chicago, 2.  
Detroit, 0-3; Cleveland, 0-2 (1st game, twilight, called in 14th, darkness).  
**National League**  
St. Louis, 7; Chicago, 2.  
New York, 6; Boston, 4.  
Pittsburgh, 3; Cincinnati, 1.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 12

**American League**  
New York, 8; Boston, 4.  
St. Louis, 6; Chicago, 3.  
Detroit, 2; Cleveland, 2-0.  
**National League**  
Brooklyn, 1; Philadelphia, 0.  
Boston, 1-3; New York, 0-2.  
St. Louis, 9-3; Chicago, 4-3.  
Cincinnati, 3; Pittsburgh, 0.

## League Standings

THROUGH WEDNESDAY, Aug. 13

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
New York	73	37	.664	
Boston	60	50	.545	13
Cleveland	60	53	.531	14 1/2
St. Louis	58	56	.509	17
Detroit	56	60	.483	20
Chicago	49	57	.462	22
Washington	45	61	.430	25 1/2
Philadelphia	44	72	.379	32

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W.	L.	Pct.	G.B.
Brooklyn	76	33	.697	
St. Louis	68	41	.624	8
Cincinnati	58	51	.532	18
New York	59	53	.527	18 1/2
Pittsburgh	50	58	.462	24
Chicago	50	64	.439	28 1/2
Boston	47	66	.416	31
Philadelphia	31	75	.292	43 1/2

## Fans Shell Out to Player Leaving for Air Corps

AUGUSTA, Ga.—At least one Sally League player found the fans patriotic—and generous. Joe Stringfellow, Charleston outfielder who joined the Air Forces, was given a wrist watch and \$150 by his followers.



THE ACTION BECAME FRISKY during the mud wrestling matches at Fort Belvoir, Va., last week and the referee, Pvt. Valentine King, had to interfere. Pvt. Chuck Pulinski is doing the rope act on Pvt. Alfred Dufrene during the exhibition held at the drill field arena. The contestants were all from the Engineer Replacement Training Center battalions.

## Baldwin Has a Bone to Pick

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Cadet Joseph Livingston Baldwin of the Army Air Forces Classification Center has a bone to pick. He played guard on the Duke team that lost to Oregon State last year in the Rose Bowl game. "We were scheduled to play on the coast," said Baldwin. "But after war was declared the game was shifted so we played it at Durham."



A SLUGGER, one of the greatest athletes in Chamute Field history, left for another station last week. Herb Scheffler was stopped recently after hitting safely in 22 straight games for the Chamute Planesmen, post baseball team. He continued the remarkable streak through games with the St. Louis Cardinals, Chicago Cubs, Ethiopian Clowns, House of David, Great Lakes Sailors and Camp Grant soldiers. His final batting average was .418 and he batted in 47 runs in 45 games. Slated to go to Louisville this year, he played at first base two seasons in the Piedmont League, where he was picked on the circuit's all-star selection both years.

## College All-Star

CHANUTE FIELD, Ill.—Lieut. Robert Derace Moser, Texas A. & M. star of last season, was picked to play with the college all-star team in Chicago against the Chicago Bears on the night of August 28.

Lieutenant Moser is a dashing triple-threat halfback who passes as well as he runs and runs as well as he kicks. He made several all-American selections last year.

"I think that shifting the game had a lot to do with our losing," he said. "All of us were keyed up to go to the coast and when Wallace Wade told us that we were going to play the game at home I think that all of us lost some of the edge we had."

When asked whether he didn't think that Duke lost because Oregon State had a better team, Baldwin did some gulping and said that he guessed so. You could tell by the way he said it he would have given half a month's salary to play the game over.

"Most of the fellows who played in that game are in the Army," he said, "and as a matter of fact most of them are in the Air Corps. Oregon State had the best team that day all right. They beat us, and that's that."

"I only wish one thing, though, and that is that all of the Oregon State team could play for the Great Lakes Naval squad this year and all our fellows could play for the Army team. I wouldn't mind one bit playing that game over."

At the classification center Cadet Baldwin is waiting for his classification as navigator, pilot or bombardier. He doesn't care much which they make him, but through choice he would like to go east instead of west.

"I didn't get to California last year because of the Japs. I hope to go through it this year on my way over to visit those Japs. That would square accounts and give me a nice credit balance."

## All-Stars Take Shelby Officers

CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—Two officers from the 38th "Cyclone" Division have been selected to play with the eastern half of the "All-Army" football squad.

Lieut. Mike Byelene, former All-America halfback at Purdue, captain of the champion 38th Division football team and battalion motor officer of the 150th Field Artillery, and Lieut. Charles E. Henke, of the 152nd Infantry, who used to clear the way for Johnny Kimbrough at Texas A. & M., reported this week for the start of practice at the New Haven school.

Lieutenant Byelene was named All-America on Grantland Rice's annual selection at the end of his sophomore year in 1938. At Purdue he was named as a member of the three B's, a backfield of Brown, Brock, and Byelene.

## Hank Gets Bars

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—Hank Greenberg, formerly of the Detroit Tigers, became a second lieutenant in the Army Air Force upon graduation from officers candidate school here.

Allen Tolmich, former Wayne University hurdler, and Chuck Fenske, the miler, also were commissioned as lieutenants after completing their 12-week courses.

## Instructor Commissioned

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—Jackson M. Anderson, director of physical education at Helena Aero Technical School, received his commission as a second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces here.

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# Ready for All Takers, Moultrie's Boxing Squad Toughens 'Em Up

**Martin O'Neill**  
FORT MOULTRIE, S. C.—Fourteen two-fisted gentlemen, lean of hip and hard of body, are waiting terrible to meet in a dark alley. Especially if a couple of them are Irishmen.

Sailors from the Charleston yard or soldiers from nearby who are being asked to take on Moultrie's boxing squad will find fair chance. It will be in a ring and they will come one by one.

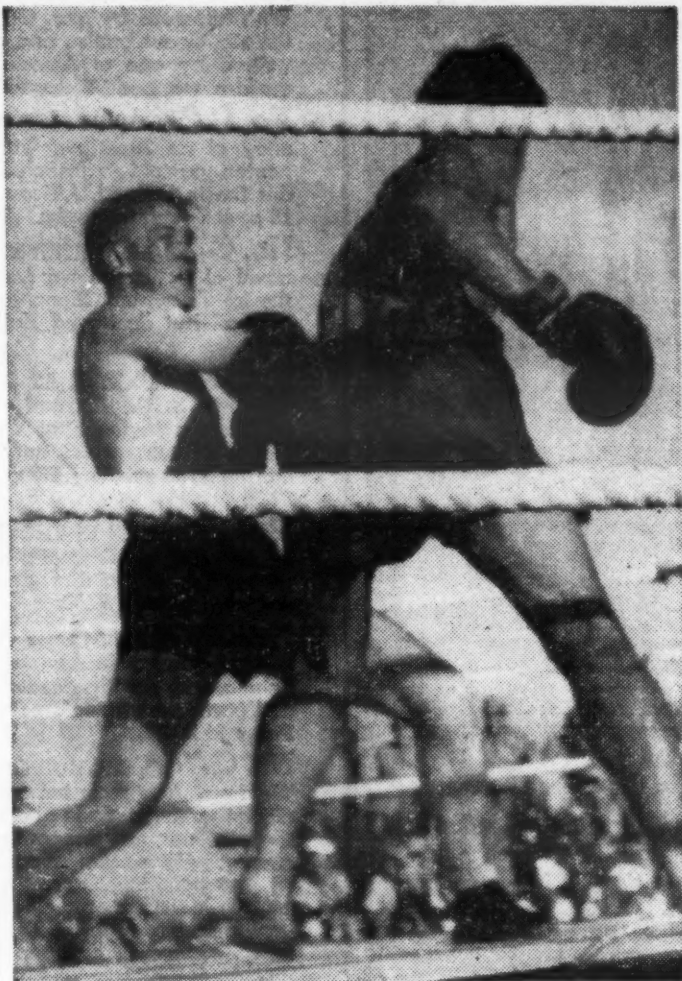
Edgar Tyner, coach of the squad, now is negotiating for even all tournaments at either Fort Moultrie's outdoor arena or at the home grounds. Frankly, he doesn't care where—the lads are for meat.

**Packed Crowds**  
Shows perform before galleries at the Fort ever since. Lieut. Bernard Parun, special officer, started the first bi-monthly carnival two months ago.

They bring their girl friends on a date. Many a hero-ine, noting the glint in his partner's eyes at night, himself wound up in the number of black eyes in proportion to the number of fascinated present squad includes three Golden Glove fighters. For most part, however, they are who never knew they had in their fists until they had a punching-bag a few weeks.

**Tough Men**  
The three-round bouts presented with medals during the night fight card. Col. Frank H. Bell, commander of the 263rd Artillery regiment, said in presenting the awards: "I want tough men in combat. The boxing squad fills the bill."

Members of the squad are mostly middleweights and lightweights. Here's how they line up: Pfc. Sekular, 135; Pfc. William G. 135; Pvt. Gerald Harrison, 135; Pfc. Michael Condon, 136; Pvt. Bethea, 145; Pvt. Tony Ware, 145; Pvt. Glen McDaniels, 147; Pfc. Feil, 147; Cpl. J. R. Wilson, 150; Cpl. Charles Hoffman, 150; Cpl. Ellis, 155; Cpl. Alex Pridgeon, 160; and Cpl. Jerome Golden, 160, and B. McKnight, 165.



**SIDESTEPPING A LEFT-HOOK** dynamite charge is Pvt. Joe Dugan as Pvt. Tony Ware lunges in for a last-round kill in the main bout of Fort Moultrie's bi-weekly summer boxing carnival. Dugan was knocked down in the first and second rounds, but as this frozen-action shot of the third round shows, rallied strongly in the final session and won the decision.

## Boxing

# Ex-Pro "Wants Excitement", Joins Up

**Jim Klutts**  
FORT EUSTIS, Va.—Fifteen years in a boxing game, 10 as a professional, wasn't rough, tough, and exciting enough to suit Pvt. Robert Wilson of Fort Eustis, so he joined the late "Lucky" Teeter and Drivers "just for the hell of it."

After narrow escapes from death, both Wilson one bit as he was as a trick and fancy cycle rider for more than a year. Then he began to get restless. His search for action he picked up as a merchant seaman, on an oil tanker along the coast. He continued in this until he was called to the service in June.

to get back to the beginning of this, Private Wilson had never part in athletics to any great extent until he joined the Army late in 1940, at the age of nineteen. He stationed at Fort Crook, Neb., during that year, and took boxing during the athletic period.

**Featherweight Champ**  
In 1921, he was transferred to the Coast Artillery at Fort Ruger, Honolulu, Hawaii. There he led the boxing team and became Artillery Featherweight champ. In 1924, he returned to the United States to try out for the Olympics, but lost in a close decision in the finals. Then after another hitch in the Army, he turned professional.

For 10 years he toured the country as a featherweight class. But fatigue crept up on him and he had the Hell Drivers with a trick cycle riding act, crashing through burning walls, jumping human beings, jumping through burning plate glass.

**Narrow Escape**  
Through the South they toured, bringing crowds everywhere. Once giving a show in Chattanooga, he had a narrow escape when he had a badly-burned face on one side and on attempting to crash through plate glass his nose was cut by the flying glass.

Decatur, Ala., he had one of the serious crack-ups. He was crash through a flaming board

and the grass was wet from a recent rain and the motorcycle tires couldn't get traction. As a result, the machine didn't gain proper speed and failed to go through the wall, throwing him into the flames.

"We really got a bigger kick out of the stunts than the crowds did. That's why so many of the stunt men get killed. They keep trying harder

and harder tricks until they tackle one that's just a little too big," Wilson says.

Pvt. Robert Wilson thrives on excitement. And whether it's boxing, hell-driving, firing a big tanker, or fighting for his country, he's in there pitching with all he's got every minute of the time—and the tougher the going, the better he likes it.

## Golf

# Camp Bowie Private Wins Fourth Texas Tournament

**CAMP BOWIE, Tex.**—Pvt. Frank Stiedle, the 142nd Field Artillery medic who has brought more athletic fame to Camp Bowie than any other soldier, won his fourth golf title of the current season when he defeated Phil Powell, Wichita Falls florist, 7-6, in the 36-hole finals match of the annual Glen Garden Country Club invitation tournament in Fort Worth.

Driving, sharp-shooting and putting his way through the field of 126 players, representing the cream of this section's crop of golfers, Stiedle fired a hot 64, seven under par, in his qualifying round Thursday, winning medalist honors and tying the course record. Then he slammed out a 285-yard average on three blasts, to win the long driving prize.

**14 Under Par**  
Private Stiedle, bespectacled and

# Won't Vacate Titles Of Men in Service

The National Boxing Association at Washington refused to submit to urging of "boxing commissions, promoters and newspaper sports writers" that titles of boxing champions in the armed services be declared vacant if not defended, each six months.

Champions now in the Army and Navy are Joe Louis, Gus Lesnevich, Tony Zale and Freddy (Red) Corcoran, holders of the heavy, light-heavy, middleweight and welterweight titles, respectively.

not large for his 164 pounds, defeated L. D. Hardin, 5-4, in the championship flight's first match Friday, then eliminated J. H. Brinkley, 6-5, in the second round. On his first 43 holes, he was 14 under par.

Saturday, with the old Army-Navy angle giving the Camp Bowie hot-shot and Ensign Eugene Bryantop billing in the quarter-finals. Stiedle came through with a 2-1 victory. He downed Harry Shuprine, 2-1, in the semi-finals, then added a \$25 War Bond to his medalist and long driving awards by winning the finals from Powell and chalking up his fourth championship this season.

**Also Arkansas Champ**  
Previously the Camp Bowie golf artist won the Phil-Pe-Co, Abilene and Breckenridge invitations, playing each course the first time in actual competition. He also is a former three-time amateur champion of Arkansas, his native state.

He is the only golfer to win four Texas tournaments this year.

Cpl. Cecil Cantrell, 744th Tank Battalion, made it unanimous for Camp Bowie in the Glen Garden affair by winning the first flight award—also a \$25 War Bond.

# High-Over-All Skeet Title Goes to Private

**SYRACUSE, N. Y.**—Pvt. Dick Shaughnessy of the Army Air Corps training station at Harlingen, Tex., captured high-over-all honors in the national skeet shoot here last week and also won the sub-small-gauge title.

An Army team from Tyndall Field, Fla., won the telegraphic shoot in which scores of Army and Navy gunners who are being taught skeet shooting for its value in military gunnery training, competed by shooting on their home ranges and telegraphing in the results.

Twenty-year-old Shaughnessy won the high-over-all crown with a 543 x 550 score. He shot perfect scores in the small-gauge and 20-gauge events, in winning the sub-small-gauge title, only to lose out in the shoot-offs. Dr. Leroy W. Childs, Lake Kerr, Fla., won the coveted 12-gauge crown.

Shaughnessy shot a remarkable 200 straight on the last day of competition to take third place in the 12-gauge shoot-offs.

Team honors for the match went to a squad of Naval aviation gunners who blasted 1233 of 1250 targets. The Army team trailed by five birds. Capt. Robert Canfield headed the Army team which included Capt. Jules P. Cuenin and Lt. Russell B. Aitken, both of whom have held national and world championships.

# Kessler Squad Hurt By All-Star Draft

**KEESLER FIELD, Miss.**—Already hard hit by the loss of four crack football players, the Kessler Field Commandos suffered a new blow this week when four more grid aces were ordered to report to the service all-star teams now being assembled. The latest recruits from Kessler Field are:

Pvt. Fcl. David DeFilippo, all-around star from Villanova, who is to join Col. Robert R. Neyland's squad at Yale University, New Haven, Conn.; Pvt. Joseph L. Brunansky, ex-Duke tackle; Pvt. Joseph Mihal, one-time Purdue great at the tackle position; and Pvt. Stephen L. Petro, former guard at Pittsburgh. Brunansky, Mihal and Petro will add their talents to the crew being organized by Maj. Wallace Wade at Camp Cooke, Santa Maria, Calif. Brunansky played under Major



**REMEMBER MAUTTE?** Now a first lieutenant in the Army Air Forces at Bolling Field, D. C., Frank Mautte, famous halfback on the Fordham football teams of 1935 and 1936, inspects a sub-machine gun. He is an armament officer. Mautte was rated All-America back both years and played one season with the New York Giants. He says he likes the Air Forces "because that branch of service stresses the ideas that go into the making of a successful football team."

Wade when the major was coach at Duke University.

Players lost previously were: Pvt. Joseph Kimball Bradley, quarterback; Pvt. William H. West, tackle; Pvt. Arthur P. (Tarzan) White, guard; and Pvt. Icl. Isadore Weinstock, halfback.

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# How to Roll a Field Pack

By Pfc. Harold Lavender, in The Guidon, 2nd Fighter Command

When the sergeant shows you how to roll a field pack, it looks very simple. Perhaps it is, or should be, but I well remember my first attempt at assembling this baby monster and getting it to look like what was intended.

We were told that ten minutes was all the time that should be required to get the job finished. The first time I tried, we were in a sort of contest to see whether we could do it in that length of time or not.

I waited for the signal. We were off! And because of the time element, everything went wrong. At least I hope it was the time element! The toilet articles were scattered everywhere; my raincoat had been neatly folded, but it became disturbed; the little thing that laces into the main part of the big thing didn't look right, or even lace; I couldn't decide which was the top or bottom of the contraption. Unable to remember the procedure, I folded the blanket and then the shelter half, and that was a major operation. The folds didn't fold in the right place, and this didn't help the appearance of the roll. But time was flying. In fact, the ten minutes were up and two or three of the men had finished. But not me! I was hardly started. The big job was ahead—rolling the roll.

As I rolled, it resembled, less and less, a field pack, but looked more like an imperfect frankfurter. As more and more of the fellows finished, they gathered around to offer suggestions—all of them different. Then the sergeant came along. Taking pity, he began to help me. We, the two of us, finally made the mess look like a roll, and began tying it in the haversack. I had never

seen so many straps and buckles! And what was this one for? And can't we stuff this one in where it won't show? And do we need this one?

Almost everyone was finished. Then the corporal came along to help. We, the three of us, fastened the web belt—or we thought we did. Next, I was supposed to get into it somehow, and, with help, I managed to hoist it over my back.

But something was wrong. The belt flew up and hit me in the face, and the pack made a high dive for the floor. And then the lieutenant

came along to help. We, the four of us, undid the buckles and fastened them elsewhere and tried again. This time it stayed on, but the belt was much too big. By this time the confusion had made me useless, so they, the three of them, undid more buckles and pulled and tugged and took up the belt. And then it fit—but around the chest—and the officer left to take charge of the men who were now in formation.

Then the two of them let out the straps so that the pack would be adjusted properly, and then the sergeant left, and the corporal put on the finishing touches.

And there I was—all packed—but almost afraid to move, lest the whole thing should come undone.

But I did move, and went gingerly to formation, at which time I felt something falling from my back.

It was my raincoat. Since it was too late to do much about it, I tucked it in as best I could with my hands over my head, and decided, philosophically, that c'est la guerre. (Whatever that means.)

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By Mary Willis

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ers carry tons of explosives over unbelievable distances; dive bombers route armies; paratroops shower down from the skies like petals shattering from a blooming apple tree.

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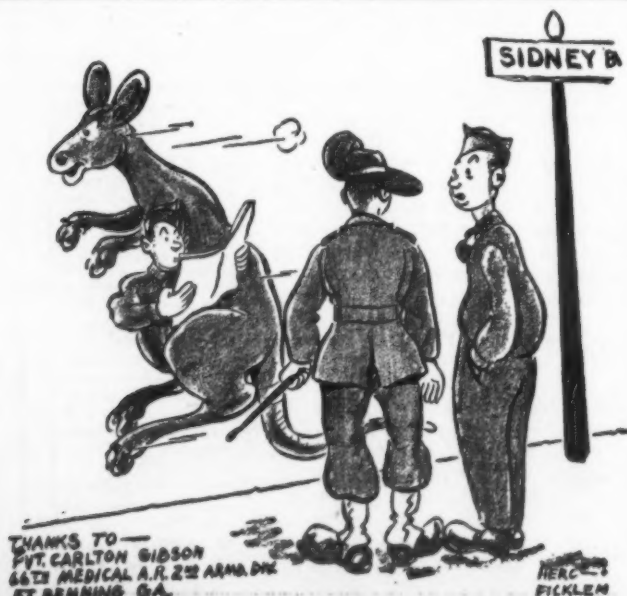
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# THE ARMY PRESS

Good news for short, bald-headed guys. Master Sgt. George H. Cherrington of Fort Bliss, not only made himself grow a half-inch to qualify for officer candidate school, but actually got to sprout on his once naked pate.

For four years of chinning, and otherwise racking his head, according to the Fort Bliss Bulletin—before he gained the half-inch of hair, is an accident. Nosing around the Cavalry stables, he noticed the active use of wool fat on the horses' heads. When it was applied over his hair, the hair would commence to grow.

Open to ideas, Cherrington applied the wool fat to his head. And after one month, the hair was growing. He is the possessor of a thin but growing head of hair.

One

else would you name a paper at Morris Field, N.C., but Code? Pfc. William G. Stine, five-dollar prize for suggesting the name for the paper, first issue arrived here this week.

A small, four-page offset sheet, well made up and attractive to the eye. Cpl. Dan Poller's the editor.

ate Pan-Itt in Ford Ord (Panorama), notes signs of life in Monterey. Name of the Baths there has been changed to Pan-Itt.

Dark Side

of wisdom (at some length) the editor of Latitude Nine, shed somewhere in the Caribbean.

According to some of our better Army publications, "jaws" purchases will soon be a thing of the past, with no credit whatsoever extended to Army personnel.

This is supposed to eliminate the soldier's habit of getting his pay. It will eliminate the soldier's habit of getting his pay. It will eliminate the soldier's habit of getting his pay.

When a man comes into the Army, a little late in his life to start his habits in regard to just how he is going to spend his money. Ideas on that score are pretty formulated by that time. Also of our old timers in the Army have been operating on a credit for the past 20 years or so, are to find it a little hard to start getting their pay.

cannot quite imagine some of the ways we know, going to the Post exchange, buying a couple of beers, then going home because they spent their allotted amount for the day.

is what they will do. They will all their money like they have through their Army career, and they will borrow money from who will charge them from 20% to 30% interest for the use of the money. These guys will take the money, borrow a stamp, and send it home to use in their old home.

There is another group of men who do not borrow any money. They draw all their money on pay day, as soon as they can get a pass, they go home.

Private O'Brien

is the story of Private O'Brien, who spent most of his life in line. It was chow that he wanted to eat. He shuffled along in a queue 90-deep.

to a movie he wanted to go, stand in a line that continued to grow.

it did stretch a full block or more. Private O'Brien's feet became sore.

If he wanted to wash himself clean, stand in a line outside his latrine.

happened not once, but again and again. Private O'Brien blew out his brain.

was there when he got to the gate. He took out his book and said, "Brother, you're late."

re working three shifts, it's really a crime, you'll just have to wait over there in that line."

—Cpl. Robert H. Levine, Langley Field, Va.



LOOKING pleased over the first issue of the Camp Bowie (Tex.) Blade are (left to right) Col. Frank E. Bonney, camp commander; Maj. Roy Bradley, camp intelligence officer; Pvt. William J. Goggin, the editor, and Lt. David O. Davis, camp public relations officer.

they will run downtown and invest it in the "Blue Moon Queen Betterment Fund", or else get into a lot of trouble by having too much money to buy too much rum. This group of men will not borrow money but will sit around broke without even enough money to go to the movies, and get a very sour slant on the Army, the war, and the whole setup.

In either case it is taking money away from the Post and the Post Exchange. It helps the good neighbor policy by pouring money into the coffers of our civilian friends, but we believe the first policy should be to help ourselves.

This no-credit policy may work out O.K. but we're not very optimistic about it. In any case it doesn't seem to make any difference how we feel about it.

Swears Off

Just as he placed a wad of chewing tobacco in his mouth, 1st Sgt. Maurice J. Stiker heard the alarm for a gas attack at Jackson (Miss.) Airbase. He rounded up his squadron, says Airbase News, and slipped on his own gas mask.

Several seconds went by. The seconds turned into minutes and after ten minutes the sergeant's face began to turn an unnatural green.

Finally, the "all clear" was sounded. The squadron was dismissed with an incoherent command and Sergeant Stiker dashed for the orderly room. When next seen, the lump in his jaw was gone and his face wasn't so green any more. In the office wastepaper basket, somebody spotted the contents of a sack of chewing tobacco.

One of the most exclusive clubs at Camp Crowder, Mo., reports the Message, is the 50 Club. Its members are composed of men who have rung up ten consecutive bullseyes on the rifle range.

G.I. Equipment

Nomination for the absent-minded professorship goes this week to Pvt. Truman Cowell, up in Kodiak, Alaska.

The Bear says Private Cowell, seeking a place to hide a package of cigarettes, decided to put them in an overshoe.

He wore the shoe two days before remembering that the butts were in hiding there.

Best wishes to the Fort Bragg (N.C.) Post, which was two years old last week. We know just how they feel.

See Future

Cleverest stunt of the week was that pulled by the Fort Niagara (N.Y.) Drum. Assuming that the war was going to last for a long time, the editors made up a couple of pages showing how they would look on Dec. 7, 2001. (Sixtieth anniversary of Pearl Harbor).

"Gist of the News" column went like this:

The Quartermaster Corps has developed new spring-soled boots for rocket-chute troopers. . . The War Department announces formation of the 26th Magnetized Division at Camp Roosevelt, Tex. . . Rationing of sun rays goes into effect Dec. 9 to speed production of ray-guns. . . Wives of officers and enlisted men may apply for "X" cards at the Youngstown schoolhouse. . . Lightning-ray neutralizers are being installed in all posts to guard against enemy air attack. . .

The "Z" ration, consisting of 1 Vitamin X pill, 1 grain of sulfam-

graine, and 1 condensed coffee tablet—food for one man for one day—has been devised by the QMC. . . new-type sarongs for tropical wear by the WAACS will soon be issued. . . The transoceanic highway to Hawaii will be dedicated Christmas Eve.

## They Don't Know Americans

By Pvt. Elmo Israel, Fort McPherson, Ga.

"Americans are soft and weak, afraid; They cannot stand the hardships of this fight. So little they know of bleeding on the field. What have they felt of warring day and night In a ceaseless rain of bombs and shells

That falls in furious torrents from the sky? In what great crusade are their souls immersed? For what great leader would they gladly die?"

Words from mouths of blind men far away, Who know too little of this land today,

Of sacrifices made in years now fled; Forgetting those who even at this moment, Fighting somewhere fall among the dead.

Nininger and Kelly, names emblazoned Along with Jones and Cohen and Williams, too; Sparse-bearded boys battling as stout men do.

They faced the sun and marched with sweated back; They felt war, its coldest moments black.

No crusade for the "glorious leader's" quest; A simple fight for people Providence blessed

With life that once was sweet and quiet and fine. But those who have not known or now forget Misunderstand these thoughts, each heartfelt line.

Weakness, fear: these words we do not know. Unskilled, we drill; untried, we march to learn.

And what strong hearts show not, strong arms must prove; That in these hearts the fires of victory burn.

## Ode

### Written While Peeling Potatoes

Many things in life are grand, Like the touch of a baby's hand; A blanket of stars high above, A kiss from the one you love. Birds that fly and sing uncaged, The dignity of old age, Music which soothes and casts a spell, The deep rich chimes of a church bell.

The sun bursting through the dawn, A dog romping on the lawn. The calm that hovers over the sea, An old dear sweet memory. People walking to and fro, Children playing in the snow. Books and poems that inspire, On wintry nights, a warm fire. Lo, 'mid all our strain and strife There are some joys left in life.

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# Light Out On 'Hook'

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FORT HANCOCK, N. J.—For the first time in more than 160 years the historic lighthouse at Fort Hancock on the tip of Sandy Hook, N. J., has gone out. Its guiding light is out for the duration.

The light, one of the highest candle-powered in the world has shown continuously from the time it was first lighted in 1764 until only a few days ago—with but one exception. That was a night in 1776 when Captain John Conover, a Revolutionary War patriot climbed the 90-foot lighthouse and smashed the light in an effort to hamper British ships from making their way up Sandy Hook Bay and into New York harbor.

## Different Reason Now

This time, however, the light has been ordered out for exactly the opposite reason—to comply with the dimout regulations and assure the safe conduct of British and other United Nation's ships into the harbor.

The Sandy Hook light whose brilliant beam was visible 15 miles at sea is the oldest standing structure of its kind in the country. It was designed by a Frenchman and its construction was financed by a group of New York merchants who raised part of the funds by a lottery.

During the Revolutionary War, Sandy Hook was captured and controlled by the English who fortified the lighthouse. The fortifications were the object of many raids by Colonial troops who also participated in the battles of Monmouth and Trenton.

## Started in 1790

In November of 1790 four acres of land surrounding the lighthouse were set aside as a government reservation and in 1806 the government purchased the balance of the land on Sandy Hook peninsula.

The first actual military post on The Hook was begun in 1858. During the Civil War 10 million dollars was spent for buildings and equipment. At that time the post was called Fort Lincoln. During the First World War it provided a base for many Coast Artillerymen. Fort Hancock is presently under the command of Brigadier General Philip S. Gage, commander of New York harbor defenses.

## Benning Brevities

### Sgt. H. E. Whittemore

FORT BENNING, Ga. — Shiny prizes are usually awarded in contests, but Army-wise officers of the 10th Armored Division know what means more to a soldier in the way of prize—time, more specifically, time off.

So a coveted 24-hour pass was dangled before the eyes of division soldiers this week by the officers as a prize for the highest efficiency in the care and maintenance of divisional vehicles.

And the result, according to inspecting officers, was "slightly terrific."

"I had to almost get into the motor of the car to hear the engine, it was purring so quietly in one case," said one officer.

### NO PIX

Mother and sweethearts of Johnny Doughboys at Fort Benning will have to get along without snapshots of their favorites taken while at work, or at least will have to get along for a while.

Post headquarters at Fort Benning has issued orders that effective at once no cameras or kodaks will be allowed on the post except for official use and except when authorized by proper authorities. The order barring cameras from the reservation is in line with the policy of the government to tighten restrictions on the movements of unauthorized military personnel and civilians around Army installations.

As another step, all civilians must carry a pass or an identification button with their photograph before they may enter Fort Benning after Sept. 1. Temporary passes will be issued to visitors and permanent passes to civilian residents of the post and businessmen. In addition, all unrecognized military personnel must be identified before they will be allowed on the post.

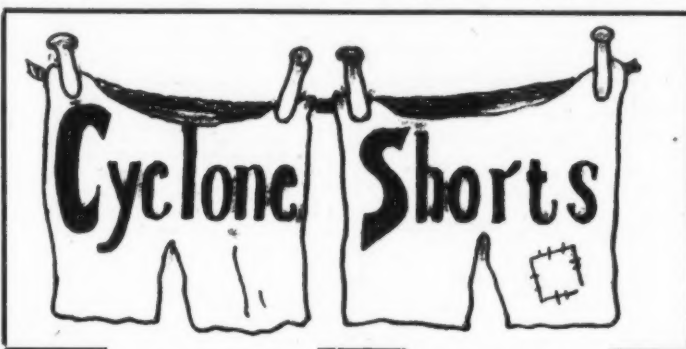
### TAKES ADVICE

If Army recruiting officers had



THESE eight soldiers, who wore the dress suit of their particular big-name band in civilian life, find it "a bit" different in khaki at Camp Croft, S. C., infantry replacement training center. All play with various post orchestras. Seated left to right are Bob Aciri, pianist for King's Jesters and also on the NBC staff; Greg Pearce, pianist for Johnny Long's orchestra, and Jack Pleis, pianist and arranger for Jan Savitt's Top Hatters orchestra. Standing, left to right, are John Mania, clarinetist with Richard Himber; Frank Klammer, trombonist for Johnny "Scat" Davis orchestra; Bill Diedrich, saxophonist for Carl Freed's orchestra, and Walter Washington, bass player at different times for Jimmy Lunceford, Claude Hopkins and Fletcher Henderson. (That's right, one name's missing. We weren't given it, either.)

—Photo by U. S. Army Signal Corps



CAMP SHELBY, Miss.—In recent problems in airport defense, infantrymen of the 38th Division inadvertently tore down some fence around the Hattiesburg Army Air Base. Next morning, men of the 113th Observation Squadron stationed there found the airport invaded by cows, complacently mooing and chewing all over the place.

Undeterred, the squadron lined up a series of jeeps and other vehicles, and with a native Texan parked

astride the hood of the leading car, they advanced on the herd with yells and shrieks and drove the cows off the premises.

Private Dogface says that on overnight problems this season the mosquitoes will bite no one until they read the dog-tags and make sure the blood type corresponds with their own.

## REVISION

Chiggers found Johnny Doughboy in the Mississippi mire-land. And these pretty bugs so red Gally hopped aboard and fed; For it was their chigger duty To eat this American beauty Before he found a rose in Ireland.

## EVIDENCE

For soldiers who have proof that the one-and-only back home has given them the heave-ho since induction, the 152nd Infantry has a "Lonesome Hearts" club. Membership is very exclusive and secretive. However, an occasional story leaks out like the one about a member who got into the club by virtue of having his girl stolen from him by another member of the same club.

## DESCRIPTION

Overheard at the Service Club the other P.M. were two soldiers talking shop:

"You been issued one o' them new Geraniums?"  
"Hand grenades? Well, y'see—"  
"Naw. Rifle—"  
"Oh! The kind that shoots a grenade out of a rifle. We—"  
"Uh uh. I mean them .33 caliber automatic rifles."  
"Oh, them. Naw, we got the M-1."

## MP's to Wear Insignia Of Service Commands

The War Department today authorized Military Police personnel assigned to duty with a service command (formerly Corps Area) to wear the shoulder sleeve insignia of that service command.

Military Police escort guard companies assigned to a service command also will wear the shoulder sleeve insignia of that command.

All other such units serving in the continental United States will wear the shoulder sleeve insignia of Headquarters, Services of Supply, a blue five-pointed star on a white field with a red circular border.

# 2nd Class of Medical Officers Graduated

CAMP BARKELEY, Tex.—In addition to including as trained second lieutenants as its predecessor, the second grad class here, commissioned today at the new Officer Candidate School, Medical Administrative Corps, has set about establishing new records.

## Compare the statistics!

This class has representatives from 40 different states, plus Canada and the District of Columbia; July graduates came from 39 states.

And then there's geographical representation by states. New York still leads, with 24 members (25 in July's group).

## Rest Changed

The rest of the line-up, however, has changed. Next in order are Pennsylvania, 20; Ohio, 15; California, 14; Illinois, 14; Texas, 13; and Michigan, 11. In July, the ranking next after New York had been California, Texas, Illinois, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Ohio.

Like the July group, the August MAC's had just as varied civilian occupations prior to joining the Army. Some of the more unusual jobs were food importer, acid pumper, escrow officer, botanist, tabulator operator, precision gear inspector, pair heater, sanitary inspector, farmer, and furrier.

The new lieutenants seem to be older. The average age of the August class is 26.3 years, as compared with 26 years for the July men.

The August class has had more formal education. Seventy per cent of this class went to college, a 5 per cent increase over the July group. A total of 129 different colleges and universities number their alumni among the new officers, with representatives from Harvard to Santa Barbara, from Texas Tech to the University of Toronto.

Regardless of former background, their common experiences as enlisted men in the Army and their weeks and weeks of intensive training in the officers' school together have resulted in a sturdy band of new officers ready for the tough job ahead.

# Learn Fast Cooks, Bakers

ATLANTA, Ga.—More than 1,000 mess officers, mess sergeants, and bakers have been graduated from the QM Bakers and Cooks schools in the seven southeastern states during the past fiscal year, it is reported by Lt. Col. J. M. Rooker, mandant for these schools.

The total is roughly divided into three classifications: 550 mess sergeants, 1,200 bakers, 2,100 mess sergeants and 15,000 cooks. This year, it is pointed out, is 10 times as many men as were given instructions as in the comparable period when the Army was built in the first World War.

Students for the two-month course come from the Army posts throughout the southeast and the area are conducted at eight points in the area. Operation is continuous.

# Inky Is in Dog House Because He Went AWOL

CAMP WOLTERS, Tex.—A black cocker spaniel belonging to Maj. Gen. Bruce Magruder, commander, went AWOL this morning. Inky, who wears a regulation identification disc, disappeared from the general's quarters in camp. The general's quarters in camp was finally found by military police after the commander had worried two days and advertised his lost dog in the camp's daily bulletin.

Now Inky is really in the problem. By command of the general, Inky's pass has been revoked and he has been restricted to quarters for an indefinite period.

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# Class Dated Dec. 4 Ticket Pearl Harbor Story

CAMP BUTNER, N. C.—The pass he has been showing to his friends in the 78th "Lightning" Division states that Richard G. Burkart "has permission to be absent from his post and station (Schofield Barracks, Hawaii) from 6 a.m., Thursday, Dec. 4, 1941, until 6 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 7, 1941."

well-thumbed slip of paper fails to excite the curiosity of the Division men who see it. It is the early morning of Dec. 4, 1941, and the Japs started bombing Pearl Harbor and nearby Schofield Barracks where Burkart was stationed.

was, Burkart tells them, and gives as vivid a description of the attack on American soil as the restrictions will allow. Burkart, who enlisted in the regular army three years, was in his barracks when the Jap bombing began.

With other men in his field artillery battery, he ran outside just as a dive bomber, scattering machine gun bullets, zoomed over the barracks.

The artillerymen in Burkart's unit fought off the attack as best they could before they were ordered to man their guns in the field. But before this order was given, Burkart saw some of his buddies killed as they bravely defended their post.

"I've got some personal scores to settle before this war is over," he says. "Everyone who was at Pearl Harbor and saw the Japs at their worst feels this way about it."

Last April Burkart was sent to the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, Okla., as an officer candidate. He joined an artillery unit in the "Lightning" Division here after receiving his commission as a second lieutenant.

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and succeeded several times in knocking the larger of the bridges out of action, holding up the advance of enemy armored forces.

The building of the larger bridge, a 25-ton affair based on rubber pontons of the latest type, was one of the most dramatic points of the entire maneuvers period. Red artillery laid down a gas barrage, so that the Blue engineers were compelled to do most of their work while wearing masks. To add to the difficulties, most of the construction had to be done at night.

It was across this bridge, in the northern part of the combat area, that the Blues threw their armored weight, while foot troops crossed a smaller bridge, built by Negro engineers, and established a bridgehead farther to the south.

After the Blues had transferred most of their strength to the east bank during Wednesday night, August 5, they were able to fan out and drive back the Red batteries sufficiently far to finish their assignment. The problem came to an end slightly before noon on Thursday.

The following day, General Dawley held the interview at which he enunciated some of the fundamental principles upon which the strategy here has been based. That was during the morning, and then again in the evening the maneuvers director gathered higher officers for a critique, where the lessons of the problem just completed were exhaustively discussed.

Meanwhile, between the two exercises, the men on both sides enjoyed a five-day rest period, during which half the strength of the various units were given 40-hour passes and transported in convoy to a number of Carolina towns that had made arrangements for their entertainment. The USO pitched in and aided some of the local communities.

But Monday of this week saw the soldiers on both sides back in the maneuvers area, moving into positions in preparation for the problem ahead.

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# THE FOUR FREEDOMS the United Nations Fight

Following is the first installment of the text of the pamphlet issued by Elmer Davis, head of Office of War Information, during the anniversary week of the signing of the Atlantic Charter. The pamphlet clarifies the essential freedoms for which the United Nations are at war.

Beyond the war lies the peace. Both sides have sketched the outlines of the new world toward which they strain. The leaders of the Axis countries have published their design for all to read. They promise a world in which the conquered peoples will live out their lives in the service of their masters.

The United Nations, now engaged in a common cause, have also published their design, and have committed certain common aims to writing. They plan a world in which men stand straight and walk free, free not of all human trouble but free of the fear of despotic power, free to develop as individuals, free to conduct and shape their affairs. Such a world has been more dream than reality, more hope than fact; but it has been the best hope men have had and the one for which they have most consistently shown themselves willing to die.

This free-ness, this liberty, this precious thing men love and mean to save, is the good granite ledge on which the United Nations now propose to raise their new world after victory. The purpose of this pamphlet is to examine and define the essential freedoms.

To talk of war aims, shouting over the din of battle while the planet rocks and vibrates, may seem futile to some. Yet the talk must go on among free peoples. The faith people have in themselves is what the free have to build upon. Such faith is basic to them—man's hot belief in man, a belief which suggests that human beings are capable of ordering their affairs. This is a high compliment paid by man to himself, an evidence or gesture of self-respect, of stature, of dignity, and of worth, an affidavit of individual responsibility.

The freedoms we are fighting for, we who are free; the freedoms for which the men and women in the concentration camps and prisons and in the dark streets of the subjugated countries wait, are four in number.

"The freedom of speech and expression—everywhere in the world.

"The second is freedom of every person to worship God in his own way—everywhere in the world.

"The third is freedom from want—which, translated into world terms, means economic understandings which will secure to every nation a healthy peacetime life for its inhabitants—everywhere in the world.

"The fourth is freedom from fear—which, translated into world terms, means a worldwide reduction of armaments to such a point and in such a thorough fashion that no nation will be in a position to commit an act of physical aggression against any neighbor—anywhere in the world."

These freedoms are separate, but not independent. Each one relies upon all the others. Each supports the whole, which is liberty. When one is missing, all the others are jeopardized. A person who lives under a

\*Franklin D. Roosevelt to the Seventy-seventh Congress, January 6, 1941.



tyrant, and has lost freedom of speech, must necessarily be tortured by fear. A person who is in great want is usually also in great fear—fear of even direr want and greater insecurity. A person denied the right to worship in his own way has thereby lost the knack of free speech, for unless he is free to exercise his religious conscience, his privilege of free speech (even though not specifically denied) is meaningless. A person tortured with fears has lost both the privilege of free speech and the strength to supply himself with his needs. Clearly these four freedoms are as closely related, as dependent one upon another, as the four seasons of the natural year, whose winter snows irrigate the spring, and whose dead leaves, fermenting, rebuild the soil for summer's yield.

The first two freedoms—freedom of speech and freedom of religion—are cultural. They are prerogatives of the thinking man, of the creative and civilized human being. Sometimes, as in the United States, they are guaranteed by organic law. They are rather clearly understood, and the laws protecting them are continually being revised and adjusted to preserve their basic meaning. Freedom from fear and from want, on the other hand, are not part of our culture but part of our environment—they concern the facts of our lives rather than the thoughts of our minds. Men are unafraid, or well-fed, or both, according to the conditions under which they live.

To be free a man must live in a society which has relieved those curious pressures which conspire to make men slaves: pressure of a despotic government, pressure of intolerance, pressure of want. The declaration of the four freedoms, therefore, is not a promise of a gift which, under certain conditions, the people will receive; it is a declaration of a design which the people themselves may execute.

Freedom, of whatever sort, is relative. Nations united by a common effort to create a better world are obviously not projecting a Utopia in which nobody shall want for anything. That is not the point—nor within the range of human possibility. What unites them is the purpose to create a world in which no one need want for the minimum necessities of an orderly and decent life, for

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The four freedoms of common humanity are as much elements of man as air and sunlight, bread and water. To deprive him of all these freedoms is to deprive him of a part of himself. Give them in full and abundant measure and he crosses the threshold of a new greatest age of man.

These freedoms are the right of every creed and every race, they live. This is their heritage withheld. We of the United Nations have the power and the men and the last to assure man's heritage.

The belief in the four freedoms is a common humanity—the belief in a world free, in the image of God. The crucial difference between our enemies we face today. In the absolute unity of our alliance, to the oneness of the evil we fight is our strength, the source and of victory.

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cleanliness, for self-respect and is an ambitious design, perhaps for the cynic or the faithless, is supported by the sure knowledge that the earth produces abundantly and are already in possession of the tools to realize such a purpose if to use them.

This, then, is a credo to which representatives of 28 nations have subscribed. It is not a promise made by any group to any other group. It is only a promise that those who can create the world of the future, those favoring these essential freedoms, are now repurchasing in the battle and paying for with their lives. It is for sale at bargain prices, nor will it be built in three days with the tools of a world in ruins there can be a slow, deliberate monument, conceived by so many peoples of the world, it will rise straight upward on good support.

(To Be Continued)

## Four Out of 10 in Army Are High School Grads

The 1942 edition of the American soldier is the most educated fighting man in the world today. With 4,000,000 citizens now being brought to the peak of their training, the educational level of the United States Army of World War II is higher than that of any Army ever put into the field and notably higher than its own counterpart of World War I.

This one fact, above all others, tells the story: Forty-one per cent of all white selectees inducted into the Army during the past two years are either high school graduates or have had some college training. Twenty-five years ago the soldier of comparable educational attainment constituted only 9 per cent of the American Army.

These and other related data have just been brought out and made available to the War Department by a joint study undertaken by Brig. Gen. Frederick H. Osborn, Chief of the Special Service Division of the Army, and J. C. Capt. Director of the Bureau of Census of the Department of Commerce.

### Qualified for Specialized Needs

The most significant conclusion drawn from this survey is that the American soldier of 1942 is particularly qualified to meet the specialized needs of modern warfare, requiring, as they do, a higher standard of educational equipment than ever before.

The American soldier's qualifications stand out notably in comparison with World War I.

Today 11 per cent of the white selectees have had a college education. In World War I only 5 per cent had a college education.

Today 30 per cent of the citizen Army are high school graduates. In World War I only 4 per cent were high school graduates.

Today 28 per cent have one or more years of high school training. In the last war only 12 per cent were high school nongraduates.

The phenomenal improvement in the educational level of selectees in World War II as compared with the Army of 1917 is by no means the result of simply higher educational standards. It is due largely to a spectacular increase in educational opportunities throughout the United States in less than a generation.

According to statistics of the United States Office of Education in 1940, on the eve of America's entry into the war, almost as many men were attending college as were in high school less than a quarter century ago. The high school enrollment in 1940 was seven times greater than in 1916.

Another illustration of this trend is the fact that of the 18-44 age group the men from 21-24 had the highest median number of years of school and those from 35-44 the lowest. The 18-20-year group had not, of course, completed its education. Those facts point markedly to the rapid improvement in educational opportunities in recent years.

A geographic breakdown of these statistics shows that the white men of military age in the West—the Mountain and Pacific States—are better educated than those in the North—the New England, Middle Atlantic, East and West North Central States. The

selectees from the South—South Atlantic and East and West South Central States—were found to be less well educated than either of those groups.

### Much Progress Among Negroes

Although, according to the Special Service-Bureau of Census study, the educational attainment was lowest among Negroes, large gains in education have taken place in the Negro group during the past two decades. This is disclosed in the fact that 13 per cent of Negro men in the 35-44 age bracket received one year or more of high school education, while 26 per cent of the 21-24 age group attended high school.

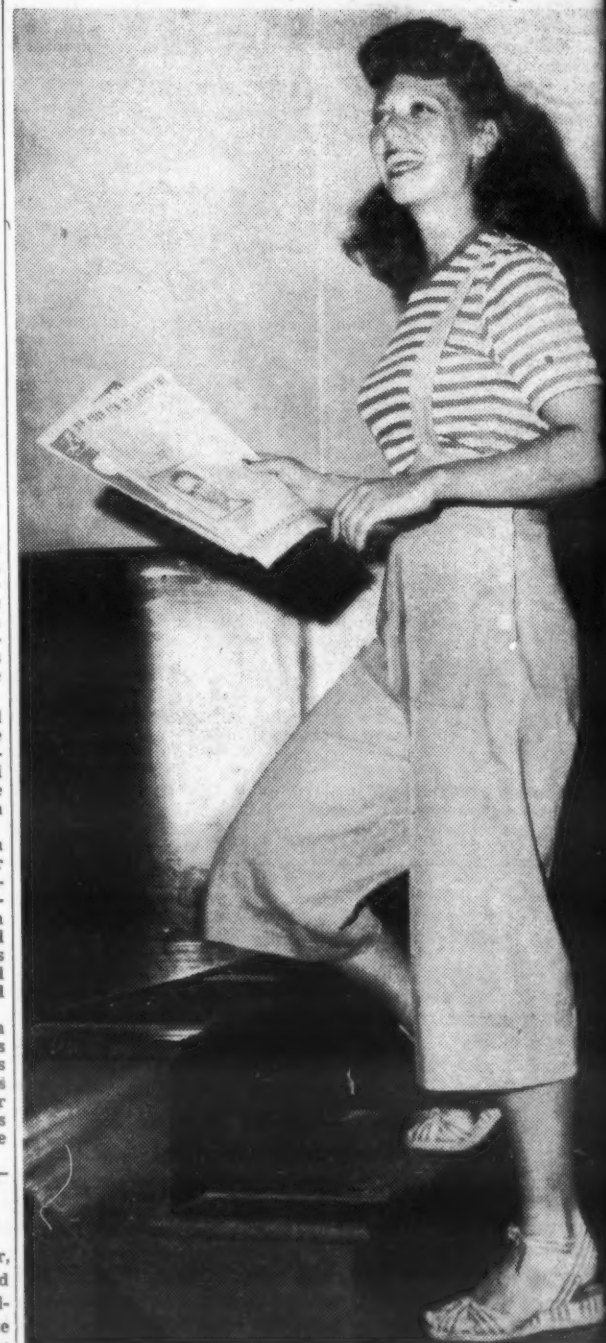
Data on the educational level of Negro selectees in the present war, when compared with similar data from the last war, also show great progress. Sixty-three per cent of the Northern Negro selectees have attended high school and 33 per cent of the Southern Negro selectees have attended high school as compared with 14 per cent of the Northern Negro draftees and 3 per cent of the Southern Negro draftees in the last war.

The latest census statistics on years of completed schooling represent the first full inventory of the educational status of the entire population ever undertaken. The question on the highest grade of school completed was included in the census in place of the less comprehensive questions on illiteracy asked in previous censuses.

The number of illiterates cannot be estimated from these figures since the completion of no particular grade of school corresponds to the attainment of literacy. Ability to read and write is a less clear-cut concept, it is pointed out, than the completion of a given number of years of school, and even if literacy could be precisely defined by the grade in which it was acquired would depend on the individual and the school system. Some literate individuals never had any formal schooling.

The percentage of illiterates in the population 10 years old and over in 1930 was less than half as great as in 1900, 4.3 as against 10.7 per cent. It is considered highly probable that the illiteracy rate is now even lower, particularly since more than 30 per cent of the illiterates in 1930 were foreign-born whites whose numbers have been dwindling rapidly since the restriction of immigration.

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## Christmas Comes Early For Overseas Army

Army Postal Service urged that Christmas packages, cards and letters for men overseas be mailed between Oct. 1 and Nov. 1. No package weighing over 11 pounds, more than 18 inches long or 42 inches in length and girth combined, may be mailed. No more than one package a week may be mailed by any one person. Please omit food and clothing, folks at home were told.

## Purple Heart Given at Stockton Field

STOCKTON FIELD, Calif.—Two enlisted men, both survivors of the Japanese surprise attack on Hickman Field, Dec. 7, were awarded the Military Order of the Purple Heart by Col. Lloyd H. Tuill, commanding officer, during a brief ceremony here last week.

It was the first time the award was made at Stockton Field. It was given to Sgt. Vincent Bonina and

Aviation Student Bill P. Gautier, who were among 22 soldiers cited by Col. W. E. Farthing, commanding officer of the Seventh Air Force Base Command Headquarters at Hickman Field to receive the award "for outstanding performance of duty and meritorious acts of extraordinary fidelity and essential service."